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OPP Encourage Enhanced Visibility

Program Gets Mixed Reviews

Liz Danielsen
Staff Reporter

Staff Sgt. Malcolm Quigley of the Haliburton Highlands OPP Detachment has only been on the job since April, but he's already actively pursuing ground breaking changes in the County. In efforts to improve police presence throughout the County, Quigley is approaching each of the four municipalities in the hopes that they will buy into an enhanced policing program.

The program was adopted by Dysart et al early in June, but Quigley introduced it in person to the Algonquin Highlands Council later in the month. Under the program each of the four Haliburton municipalities would pay \$2,500 for a total of 22 additional directed patrols throughout the County over and above regular patrols that already take place.

According to Quigley, among other benefits, the program would provide increased police visibility, increased communication with citizens and business owners and would deter unacceptable behaviour through visible patrols.

Each municipality that buys into the program is asked for input into specific areas of concern, whether they be additional patrols on the lakes, foot or bicycle patrols in the downtown cores or ATV coverage on local trails. Additional police presence can be requested at specific times of the day or for special events, depending on each municipality's top priorities.

Quigley told the Algonquin Highlands Council that he was very happy to be stationed in Haliburton County. Commenting that Headquarters was not his cup of tea, he said that he preferred working with the men and women in the field.

Policing cont'd... pg. 7...



Golden Helmets Ride

Lights, Sirens and Skill

There was a good turnout last Saturday as the Ontario Provincial Police Golden Helmets Precision Motorcycle Team took over the main street of Minden. After the initial parade, motorcycles were lined up and their engines silenced while officers dismounted for Oh Canada which Richard Margison and his daughter, Lauren, from Highlands Opera Studio, performed. Before the demonstration began, team members were introduced and each did a "ride-by" to the cheers of an enthusiastic crowd. For the next 30 minutes, riders took their Harleys through a series of complex patterns, which demonstrated the maneuverability of the machines, and the skill of the riders. The area provided between the curbs along Minden's main street certainly tested both. Constable Dan Stever provided commentary and explanations of the maneuvers as each was being performed.

The motorcycles used by the Golden Helmets are Harley Davidson Police Specials. They have 1690 c.c. engines and weigh 800 pounds. These motorcycles are the same ones used on normal patrol. The only modification is that their steering head stoppers have been filed off, which allows a tighter turning radius.

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Infrastructure Canada Confirms More Detailed Environmental Assessment Required for Stanhope Airport

Hard work by a lot of people can often pay off in huge dividends, but sometimes it simply pays off in a degree of satisfaction that can be shared by everyone concerned about an issue. In this case, the hard work by the Maple, Beech and Cameron Lakes Area Property Owners Association (MBC) executive and their associates in trying to ensure that an adequate environmental assessment review process takes place prior to the proposed expansion of the Stanhope Airport seems to have paid off, at least to some extent.

MBC President Paul MacInnes confirmed this week that his association has received confirmation from Infrastructure Canada (through MBC's lawyer) that the environmental screening of the proposed new runway project will be more in depth than what was originally believed by the Algonquin Highlands Council and that the screening also will provide for some form of public input.

The letter, from Dominic Cliche, Senior Advisor for Infrastructure Canada, first clarifies who the Responsible Authority for the project will be. While the Canadian Environmental Assessment Registry initially listed Industry Canada as the Responsible Authority (RA), Cliche advises that this was done in error. That raises the question of whether Infrastructure Canada will act as the RA for all Building Canada projects that require environmental assessments or whether they have been identified as the RA for this project alone.

Airport cont'd... pg. 5...

Liz Danielsen
Staff Reporter

"This is a victory
for the demo-
cratic process."
(Paul MacInnes)

"Unfortunately
there will be a
great deal more
money spent on
consultants."
(Andy Muir-
head)



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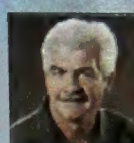
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Swimmer In Distress Call

Officers from the Haliburton Highlands Detachment were called late yesterday afternoon in regards to a swimmer in distress at Furnace Falls in the Township of Minden Hills.

Members of the Minden Hills Fire Department along with EMS personnel attended the scene. The investigation revealed that four males had been swimming in the Irondale River at Furnace Falls when one of the males began struggling with the current. The male went under the water and did not surface. Friends and other swimmers attempted to locate the male.

The male was eventually located in the water by fire department personnel. He was then taken by ambulance to the Haliburton Hospital where he was pronounced dead. An autopsy will be conducted to determine the cause of death and the victims name is not being released pending notification of next of kin. ■



Lyn Winans

Photojournalist

Pictured are members of the underwater search and recovery unit who eventually found the drowned man's body

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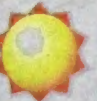
SATURDAY



Chance of afternoon thunderstorms

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SUNDAY



Mostly sunny and pleasant

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MONDAY



Partly cloudy and pleasant

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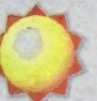
TUESDAY



Chance of showers and thunderstorms

▲ 24° ▼ 16°

WEDNESDAY



Mostly sunny and pleasant

▲ 23° ▼ 12°

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Acapulco	32/26/ts	31/26/ts	31/26/cl	Montego Bay	32/26/pc	32/26/pc	32/27/su
Antigua	31/26/pc	32/26/su	31/26/su	Nassau	32/26/pc	32/26/pc	31/28/sh
Barbados	31/26/ts	31/27/pc	31/27/ra	Port au Prince	32/26/ts	33/26/pc	33/26/cl
Bermuda	29/23/ts	30/24/sh	31/26/sh	Puerto Vallarta	31/24/ts	31/24/ts	29/23/na
Cancun	32/25/pc	32/26/ts	32/26/na	St Thomas	32/26/pc	32/26/ts	32/26/pc
Curacao	32/26/ts	32/26/pc	31/24/ts	St Maarten	31/26/pc	32/26/pc	31/27/su
Freeport	32/26/ts	32/26/pc	33/28/su	San Jose, CR	29/22/ts	29/21/ts	31/21/ra
Georgetown	31/26/ts	31/25/ts	31/23/ts	San Juan	32/26/ts	32/25/ts	32/26/pc
Havana	32/26/ts	32/25/ts	34/24/su	San Salvador	31/25/ts	32/24/ts	32/22/su
Key West	32/26/ts	32/26/ts	32/28/pc	Santo Domingo	32/26/ts	32/25/pc	33/26/su
Kingston	32/27/pc	32/26/pc	33/32/su	Trinidad	32/26/ts	32/27/ts	32/27/ra

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today Hi/Low/Otk	Friday Hi/Low/Otk	Saturday Hi/Low/Otk	Sunday Hi/Low/Otk	Monday Hi/Low/Otk	Tuesday Hi/Low/Otk	Wednesday Hi/Low/Otk
Bancroft	23/10/su	24/13/ts	21/10/ts	22/10/su	22/10/pc	24/16/ts	23/12/pc
Barrie	23/11/su	26/14/ts	22/11/ts	23/11/su	23/11/pc	25/17/ts	23/12/pc
Dorset	22/10/su	24/13/ts	21/10/ts	22/10/su	22/10/pc	24/16/ts	22/12/pc
Haliburton	23/10/su	24/13/ts	21/11/ts	22/10/su	22/11/pc	24/16/ts	23/12/pc
Huntsville	22/10/su	24/13/ts	21/10/ts	22/10/su	22/10/pc	24/16/ts	22/12/pc
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Minden	23/11/su	24/13/ts	21/11/ts	22/11/su	22/11/pc	24/16/ts	23/12/pc
Oshawa	24/12/su	27/15/ts	24/12/ts	24/12/su	24/12/pc	26/18/ts	24/14/pc
Ottawa	23/11/su	26/13/pc	22/11/ts	22/11/su	22/11/pc	23/14/sh	23/12/pc
Toronto	24/12/su	27/15/ts	24/12/ts	24/12/su	24/12/pc	27/18/ts	24/14/pc

NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today Hi/Low/Otk	Friday Hi/Low/Otk	Saturday Hi/Low/Otk	Sunday Hi/Low/Otk	Monday Hi/Low/Otk	Tuesday Hi/Low/Otk	Wednesday Hi/Low/Otk
Calgary	19/9/sh	21/11/su	24/13/pc	23/13/sh	23/13/sh	24/13/sh	23/12/sh
Edmonton	19/6/ra	21/9/cl	21/9/sh	21/9/sh	21/9/sh	20/7/sh	17/6/sh
Fredericton	22/12/su	26/14/su	20/12/sh	20/12/sh	20/12/sh	20/13/sh	19/11/sh
Halifax	19/12/pc	20/14/su	20/14/cl	20/14/cl	20/14/cl	20/15/cl	19/13/ts
Montreal	24/12/su	26/14/pc	21/13/ts	21/13/pc	21/13/pc	24/16/sh	22/11/pc
Regina	23/11/ts	24/11/pc	24/13/sh	24/13/sh	24/13/sh	26/13/pc	23/11/ts
St. John's	18/11/pc	21/13/pc	12/11/sh	12/11/sh	12/11/sh	12/11/cl	13/9/ts
Saskatoon	18/7/sh	22/11/pc	26/11/sh	26/11/sh	26/11/sh	23/9/cl	21/9/ts
Vancouver	22/14/pc	24/13/su	24/12/su	20/12/cl	20/12/cl	20/12/sh	19/12/sh
Whitehorse	28/11/pc	25/11/cl	20/7/cl	20/7/cl	20/7/cl	18/6/sh	17/4/cl
Winnipeg	24/11/ts	19/8/sh	25/12/pc	25/12/pc	25/12/pc	22/10/sh	22/9/pc

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Sunday 7/5	23°C	7°C	0.0 mm
Saturday 7/4	19°C	12°C	0.0 mm
Friday 7/3	22°C	15°C	0.3 mm
Thursday 7/2	19°C	14°C	6.1 mm
Wednesday 7/1	23°C	15°C	NA
Tuesday 6/30	23°C	15°C	0.0 mm

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Thu.	5:37 a.m./9:02 p.m.	10:18 p.m./7:42 a.m.
Fri.	5:37 a.m./9:01 p.m.	10:38 p.m./8:47 a.m.
Sat.	5:38 a.m./9:01 p.m.	10:57 p.m./9:51 a.m.
Sun.	5:39 a.m./9:00 p.m.	11:15 p.m./10:55 a.m.
Mon.	5:40 a.m./8:59 p.m.	11:34 p.m./12:00 p.m.
Tues.	5:41 a.m./8:59 p.m.	11:56 p.m./1:08 p.m.
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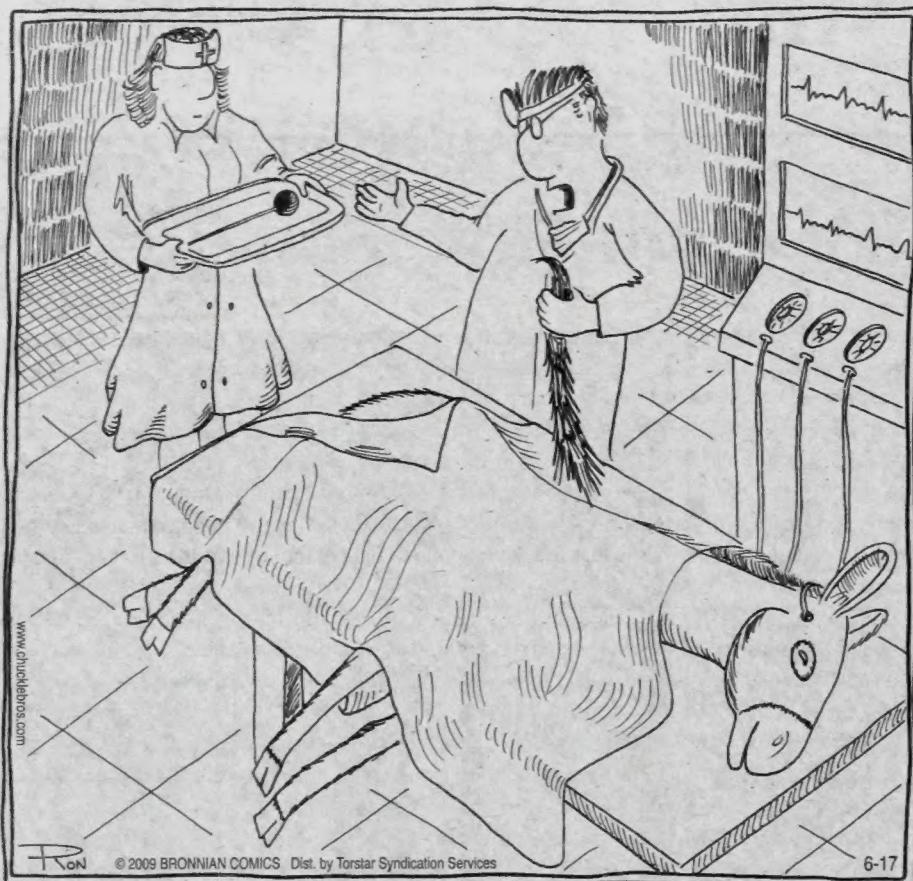
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Letter of the Week

Dear Editor

"Trying to be everything for everybody"

When asked what his greatest challenge was, (Jim) McMahon simply said, "Trying to be everything for everybody". Minden Hills in Review, County Voice, July 1. Is this impossible task a serious description of any municipal politician's job? Apparently so, because the reporter, Liz Danielsen, goes on to endorse it, 'And that likely says it all for every Reeve and Municipal Council across the Country.'

How did municipal politicians and the electorate construct this incredible expectation? Is it perhaps due to the absence of party politics at the municipal level? At the provincial and federal level the electorate does appreciate the differences in policy of the different parties. But even here, some imagine that a successful politician can represent his or her entire riding when only some minority votes for that politician. In the March by-election about 40 percent of the electorate actually voted and only 44 percent of those endorsed the winner, Rick Johnson. Barry Devolin in the 2008 Federal election was endorsed by 56 percent of the voters but only 61 percent voted. He then only represents about 34 percent of his riding.

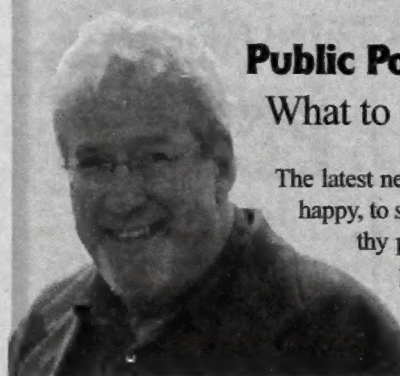
If no politician can represent all electors at any level, surely the best that can be expected is that each politician and his supporters at least know what he represents. Can we know this when the turnout for municipal elections is usually in the low 30 percent range and a number of councillors gain their position by acclamation; that is, unchallenged? In the 2006 elections, five Haliburton municipal positions were acclaimed and another five were awarded through very close votes or votes of substantially less than 50 percent; a total of 10 of 24 positions with inconclusive contests.

We need to do better at all levels of democratic politics. Well considered electoral reform is the solution.

Jim Milne
West Guilford ■

Editorial VIEWPOINT

by Stephen Patrick



Public Policy, Hysteria, and Prudence. What to do with the big bad flu

The latest news on H1N1, otherwise known as the swine flu, is not happy, to say the least. In an unusually alarming editorial, the worthy pundits at the Globe and Mail weighed in on what they perceive to be Canada's lack of readiness should the pandemic, as it's now described, erupts this fall across the country. Already 30 Canadians have died, although almost all had "underlying medical conditions," which clearly contributed to their deaths.

But many commentators have been outspoken in their criticism of the World Health Organization (WHO) for the opposite reason: that it has rushed to judgement too quickly and too soon to declare this outbreak to be a pandemic. Some even suggest the WHO officials make these declarations in order to inflate their own importance and power. During the SARS crisis in Canada a few years ago, right-wing commentators such as Terrence Corcoran in the National Post, went so far as to accuse then Toronto Medical Officer of Health, the late Dr. Sheela Basrur, of managing the crisis for her own, and her bureaucrats', benefit. A few weeks ago the Voice did a Vox Pop on the subject – and virtually everyone we interviewed said the crisis was way overblown, partly due to a sensationalist media. And many of us remember the almost hysterical reaction to the 2005 bird flu outbreak, primarily in the Far East. A WHO official declared without equivocation in February of that year that, "We at WHO believe that the world is now in the gravest possible danger of a pandemic," adding that the world was "well overdue" for another pandemic since we hadn't had a really dangerous one since 1968.

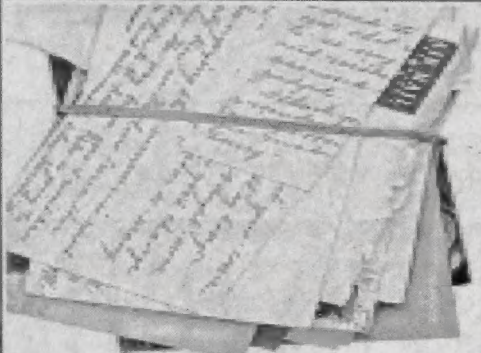
Well, that pandemic petered out very quickly, and the credibility of the WHO was certainly not enhanced. The difference today lies in the fact that H1N1 has appeared in our hemisphere primarily in the summer, and health officials and doctors are very worried that a more serious "second phase" will strike in the fall when flu season gets underway. In Britain, health authorities are warning that given the current weekly doubling of cases it could have as many as 100,000 new cases a day by the fall. Translated to Canadian numbers, that would mean 50,000 a day. Yikes!

Closer to home, the Haliburton Highlands Health Services (HHHS) Infection Control Officer Laraine Shine reports that we've had very few cases to date, and none that were deemed serious. "We have a strong control program in place, and it will be ready to go if indeed we're presented with, say, 50 new cases a day. For example, we would handle our triage procedures at our emergency department differently. And we would be co-ordinating our programs with the public health authorities. We're already in daily contact with the provincial public health people."

In Haliburton, the Haliburton Kawartha Pine Ridge Health Unit (HKPR) is the lead agency responsible for co-ordinating public response to any health crisis. The HKPR works closely with provincial and local authorities and are constantly revising their plans to fit multiple situations. In the event of a large-scale outbreak, they could, for example, establish a pre-triage area where patients could be examined and then either sent to the local emergency, dispatched to Peterborough by ambulance, or in mild cases simply sent home. But this is still just speculation.

Although the SARS outbreak of 2003 was eventually contained and affected very few people outside of Toronto, it had a devastating effect on many health care workers. The staff of the North Toronto General, one of the centres of the outbreak, were deeply traumatized as many of their colleagues were struck down by the disease. Could that happen again, only worse? Or will it just quietly go away, as the 2005 bird flu did?

Nobody knows yet, of course. But rest assured, if our public health authorities and our hospitals appear to be unprepared in the event of a deadly flu season, they will not readily be forgiven. ■



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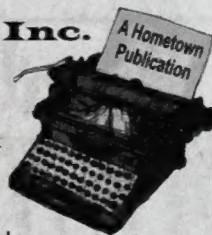
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The Highlander Rants By Terrance Seamus Gavan

When love of a dog sets logic aside The day the bridge blew up in Halcyon

Lest you get the wrong idea.

It's important to know that Paddy Baldurson is a dog lover.

It's also important to know that Paddy Baldurson has an eclectic view of the world.

I first met Paddy back when I was a young reporter with the Halcyon Packet and Times in the Manitoba Interlake.

Paddy was a 74-year-old seed farmer and very involved in local politics.

He was a former Reeve of the Rural Municipality of Reykjavik and he was like me, half Irish and half Icelandic. When I first arrived in Halcyon, in 1988, my hard knock editor Lorne Bjornson told me to get to know Paddy. Said he would be a great contact for local news and rumor.

Well, over my five years with the Halcyon P and T I did get to know Paddy Baldurson very well. But we seldom talked politics – or gossip.

Mostly we talked dogs. And we had many rollicking discussions.

Paddy was never without at least three dogs in tow. He ran a kind of rescue mission for Black Labs out at his ranch.

No matter how many dogs you meet in a lifetime, one always stays with you.

Paddy's old collie/black lab cross Mel – short for Melancholy – was such a dog. Mel was the personification of her name. Paddy had taken Mel in when she was a very young puppy. She came from abuse, was left on an open Manitoba Highway during one of those prairie Nor'westers that seemed to drop onto the bald prairie from right out of the Siberian Gulag.

That was back in 1974 and Paddy figured that Mel was about a year old.

For the first two weeks Mel was wary of everything and showed all the classic shyness of a dog who had been abused. Paddy had a way with dogs and it didn't take long for Mel to come around.

"One night she came up and put her head on my lap, and she looked into my eyes with trust, love and just a wee touch of melancholy," smiled Paddy. "Only one name would fit after that. Melancholy she was and she's been Mel to this day, the best dog I have ever known ... and I've known a few in my time."

Mel became, over the years, the Halcyon town mascot. Paddy loved high school sports and he and Mel became a fixture at football, track meets, and basketball, volleyball and hockey games. My own dog, Spunky, was enthralled by Mel's prodigious good nature.

In the spring of 1991 Paddy flagged me down and I pulled in off the highway into his yard. Mel was lying in the shade and she looked up, but after two futile efforts to rise, she just wagged her tail in greeting. Spunky went over to see her and she licked him on the face.

Paddy was crying. I knew what was happening.

"I don't think I can bring her to the vet to put her down," said Paddy, biting back tears.

"Can I do anything?" I said, the tears coming as I rested my hand on his huge shoulders that were shuddering now through the tears. Paddy just sobbed and shook his head. I went over to stroke Mel's big black head. She licked me, wagged her tail, but couldn't rise. Her breathing was shallow. She was 18 or 19 years old and she was fading, but she wasn't in pain.

Two days later, on July 1st, I got the call. It was Paddy. "Mel's been sleeping for 18 hours, but she won't let go," said Paddy. I said I'd be right over.

I wasn't prepared for the sight that greeted me in the yard. Paddy had Mel dressed in a flak jacket, which was rigged with 5 sticks of dynamite and attached to what looked like an alarm clock trailing wires. I had heard various stories about Paddy and how he had been involved at Camp X with spymaster Bill Stevenson in the Muskokas during World War 2. I knew he had a blasting license because he had been hired by the RM to manage some tricky demolitions' work from time to time.

"I can't bring her to the vet," said Paddy through tears. "This is all I can do for her now. Will you help?"

I remember nodding and setting off on what was to be our last journey across the Viking River and up to Jardosson's Bluff on the edge of Paddy's home quarter. Paddy had Mel wrapped in her favorite quilt. We put her in the back of his trailer attached to the hitch of his Yamaha 4-wheeler. She was in a coma sleeping peacefully.

We went across the old and rickety Landmark Covered Bridge that straddled the Viking River. It was built in 1866 and there was fight on to restore it.

We got to Jardosson's Bluff, overlooking the blue-green expanse of Lake Manitoba. Paddy laid Mel down in the alfalfa fringe of the Oak bluff. And then he set the timer.

He nodded and said "Five minutes." We both said a short prayer and drove slowly back to the old condemned covered bridge.

We were half way across the bridge when for some reason I looked back. And there was Mel, at full gallop across the prairie, risen like some dynamite-infused Lazarus from that coma.

I tapped Paddy on the shoulder. It didn't take long for the two of us to realize that Mel, miraculously metabolized, was now coming at us like a smart missile. "Holy crap!" said Paddy, quickly checking his watch.

We arrived at the other end of Landmark Bridge just as Mel was entering. We stopped at the far side of river bank. Paddy was counting down. "nine, eight, seven ..."

And out came Mel, like a bullet and right at us. "Three, two, one." The explosion was deafening and suddenly I felt Mel's tongue licking my face.

Paddy and I looked down the bank at the sight of the Landmark Bridge slowly crumbling into the Viking River. Mel was too busy cavorting to take much notice of the noise or the destruction. The flak jacket had apparently slid off in the middle of the bridge.

The insurance paid for the historical restoration of the old Landmark Covered Bridge.

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Around Halcyon the old restored landmark is known as Mel's Big Bang.

Mel was rejuvenated, and enjoyed a remarkable six months of mobility.

She passed away peacefully with her head in Paddy's lap, in front of a roaring fire on Christmas Eve 1991.

And every Canada Day since 1991, there's been a huge fireworks display in the meadow surrounding Mel's Big Bang on the shores of the Viking River.

Proof enough for me: that sometimes it's better to go out with a whimper ... not a roar. ■

MBC One Step Closer to their Objective

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MacInnes said that the focus by the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency (CEAA) will be on several things. "Our understanding of the law under the CEAA Act is that any environmental assessment must consider the full scope of the project. That goes beyond the scope outlined in Algonquin Highlands' Building Canada application and includes documents that the Municipality has published from as far back as 2001 to the present time and includes things like additional hangers, the proposed industrial park and residential development."

MacInnes said that all of these plans are now listed as part of the file that the CEAA has, but added that there are still some concerns that remain outstanding. "In one case, the Reeve confirmed that a fire protection system must be considered at some point, but at a minimum our interpretation of the Act is that the developments (listed above) will have to be part of the assessment."

The Scope of the Project listed on the CEAA Registry also indicates the need to consider de-icing facilities, a storm water detention pond, waste management and fuel storage to name a few. (The full scope of the project can be viewed on-line at www.ceaa-acee.gc.ca using the reference number 09-01-46567 for Ontario.)

MacInnes said he was very pleased to see that the process will include some form of public input, but acknowledged that the correspondence they had received was not very specific on how this would be accomplished other than saying that participation from members of the general public and local groups and organizations who have expressed an interest in the project would benefit the assessment and that Infrastructure Canada would provide an opportunity for the public to examine and comment on their screening report.

MBC Vice President Andy Muirhead said, "We're still not sure exactly what form the process will take. It's hard to interpret what they mean by public consultations at this point as they don't specify when they'll take place or how."

While MBC have long been pushing for public involvement, MacInnes confirmed that the association will continue to fight tooth and nail to see public hearings scheduled as part of the process.

Muirhead said, "The upside of the communications we have finally received is that they specifically mention a number of points that we have been asking for some time to have reviewed. If Algonquin Highlands' goal is to have larger faster aircraft, they must ensure that they have all of the necessary protections in place."

Muirhead voiced frustration with the fact that the MBC executive has been trying to access this information since February, and it took action by a lawyer at considerable cost to finally get some results from an agency that has a mandate to provide information to concerned parties.

One note of interest is that in the Infrastructure Canada documents detailing the scope of the project, expansion and improvement of the existing terminal building is included. This is the very same portion of the project that the Council determined they would not proceed with at their meeting last month.

Muirhead, who agreed that the news about a more detailed screening and public participation has made him cautiously optimistic, still has concerns about Infrastructure Canada's project description. "Their document is very broad and general and I would like to see a number of specific details included."

Muirhead continues to have concerns about the necessary aerial easements required for the new runway and the clearance of obstacles from areas outside the boundaries of the airport. He voiced concerns about the need to assess the risk of potential bird strikes and the impact on private residences within close proximity to take off and landing zones at both ends of the proposed runway.

He also says that the present project description doesn't include a number of additional development plans for the property which are integral to the long-term objectives of the municipality. He suggested that the municipality's long term development plans will necessitate the eventual expansion or replacement of current fuel storage and handling facilities, spill mitigation and fire suppression. Muirhead also said that the assessment must address the actual need for the project and the potential detrimental effects of non-completion.

However, Muirhead also said that it has become obvious that the CEAA has recognized that the scope of the project is much larger than originally thought and the review process will take significantly longer than earlier estimates.

"Unfortunately there will be a great deal more money spent on consultants to respond to concerns that will be raised by the CEAA," he said.

Algonquin Highlands Reeve Eleanor Harrison voiced some frustration with the fact that the Municipality, as the proponent of the project, had still not received any detailed information from the CEAA regarding environmental assessment requirements, nor has the Municipality received confirmation from MP Barry Devolin's office on whether or not the project can go forward in two phases.

"It's my hope that both of these things will be clarified prior to our meeting on July 16th," she said. "While we have heard rumours, we haven't heard anything concrete." Harrison voiced her disappointment in the fact that MBC had received news about the project before the Municipality.

According to Harrison the legislation does not require a full environmental assessment for the length of runway that they have planned, but she acknowledged that MBC was a very well organized group whose work had achieved results. She also commented that she thought the CEAA themselves didn't seem to know just what to do with the project.

MacInnes accepted that the news is a small victory but said, "It's not a victory for MBC, but quite frankly for the democratic process. As you know, most people within the County that have been very concerned about the project are concerned about two basic areas."

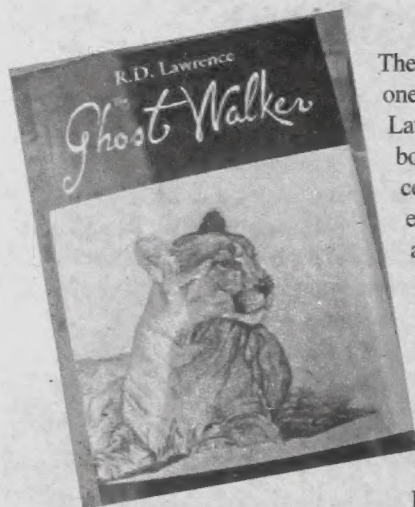
"One is the lack of economic justification and the lack of a payback for the investment ratepayers have made, given the constraints of the existing location and the type of runway Algonquin Highlands has had to plan. The second, equally large concern has been the entire lack of transparency and lack of input allowed for residents," he said.

"We're hopeful that this environmental assessment will finally allow the people who pay the bills and will be directly and indirectly affected by the proposed runway, not only to ask their questions, but more importantly to actually get answers to those questions." ■

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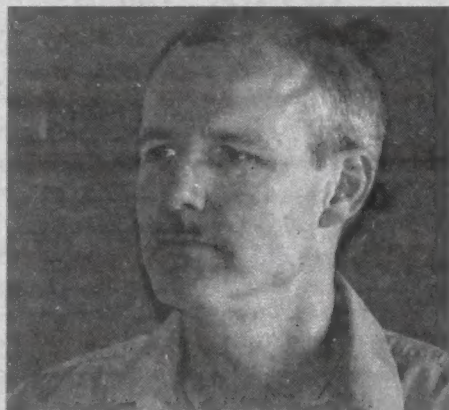
Ghost Walker Arises Once Again

Stephen Patrick
Editor



The Ghost Walker has been one of wildlife author R.D. Lawrence's most popular books over the past quarter century, and now a new edition will make it available to yet another generation. Lawrence's widow Sharon has published this sixth edition with a celebratory launch of the book at R.D. Lawrence Place in Minden last week.

Ron Lawrence was famous not only for his many novels and nature studies – his Natural History of Canada is still in print – but also for his decades-long advocacy for the preservation of Canada's wolf population. His passionate and realistic novels and essays about the wolf have been instrumental in preventing what had threatened to be a deliberate extirpation of these magnificent animals. During their years together at Wolf Hollow, near Gooderham, which the Lawrences called home for over 20 years, the couple nurtured many species of mammal, including wolves of course,



Ontario Puma Federation's Stuart Kenn

but also a cougar named Teca. But the story of The Ghost Walker goes back even further to the early 1970s, when Lawrence was still recovering from the death of his second wife, Joan.

After completing a cathartic journey up the coast of British Columbia, alone on a small boat, he wrote Voyage of the Stella, a kind of personal documentary of a voyage of grief and at the same time discovery. He then headed east to the Selkirk Mountains to begin a study of the great North American Cougar, or Puma, many of whom had been sighted in the region. His story of survival, study, outdoor adventure and finally, a miraculous direct communication with the cougar made for an engrossing and fascinating read. The Globe and Mail reviewer commented that "only a person with an extreme sense of purpose could have completed such a gruelling self-imposed mission and returned to us with a book as enthralling as The Ghost Walker."

Sharon Lawrence reminded the audience last week that Ron had begun to advocate strongly for public and private vigilance in order to protect the cougar. During the 1980s and 1990s there was little government support for any sustained programs: the Ministry of Natural Resources in fact refused to admit that there were any cougars anywhere in Ontario. But gradually a group of naturalists and scientists led by a professional cartographer

named Stuart Kenn began to convince the government that there was indeed a population of puma here in Ontario. In 2002 Kenn, who'd been studying the puma for over 30 years, co-founded the Ontario Puma Foundation (OPF) with Kee Dewdney, Adjunct Professor in the Zoology Department at the University of Western Ontario. Since then the OPF and the MNR have begun to work closely together, gathering sightings, DNA samples of puma fur and scat, among other programs.

Last week Stuart Kenn, who's also a huge admirer of The Ghost Walker and Ron Lawrence's work in general, joined Sharon Lawrence in Minden and gave a fascinating talk about the puma, and the OPF's ongoing field work. "The puma is a remarkable animal, extraordinarily strong, with a muscle density 100 times that of human beings. The male can weigh up to 100 kilos, the female 60 kilos, and when it hits you it's like being hit by a truck. They typically feed on white-tailed deer: they're stalkers, very fast in the short run, but they're not long-distance runners, that's for sure. They'll wait for a deer, then leap on the back, killing the deer with one powerful bite, severing the spinal chord."

The puma is also, along with the fisher martin, an effective hunter of porcupines, and of course of other small mammals. Kenn went on to describe how he sets up trap sites to collect fur and scat specimens, with a mixture of puma pee, fur, and simple dog brushes that the cat will rub against. Where do they get the urine? "We used to get it from a centre in Alabama, but now we have a Canadian supply, from some cats who are in captivity." And how many puma does he estimate are in Ontario? "About 600, we're certain of that." There have been many sightings in Haliburton County, although the MNR still maintains there is no proof that the big cats are here, although many local naturalists would disagree.

For more information on the OPF, go to www.ontariopuma.ca. And you can pick up a copy of The Ghost Walker at bookstores everywhere. ■



Ron Lawrence's beloved Teca

Man's Body Recovered from Crystal Lake

Mark Arike
Staff Reporter

OPP Uses Side Scan Sonar Equipment in Two-Day Search for Missing Guelph Man

After spending two days in the waters of Crystal Lake near Kinmount, members of the Ontario Provincial Police Underwater Search and Recovery Unit (USRU) located the body of a 66-year-old missing man.

The missing man, Gary Warren of Guelph, was last seen by neighbours on the evening of Friday, July 3 at approximately 8:15 p.m. when he was paddling his boat by their cottage. Shortly after, a neighbour noticed the same boat without the man in it. After searching for him to no avail, the neighbour contacted the police.

Officers from Peterborough County OPP and Peterborough County Marine Unit attended the area at Cedar Road cottage and initiated a search for Warren. Saturday's search turned up nothing, but on Sunday his body was found.

A post mortem was scheduled to be conducted on the man for Monday, July 6. Foul play is not suspected.

During Saturday's search at Crystal Lake, The County Voice spoke with John Edwards, Team Leader of the USRU, about the steps that are taken to recover someone from the water using side scan sonar equipment.

"It's a device like a torpedo that's towed behind the boat on a hard cable," explained Edwards. "It sends out an acoustic signal that goes out and bounces off objects on the bottom of the water. The signal returns to the receiver and that gives you a computer generated image of what's on the bottom."

Besides being able to detect a body in the water, the device can detect just about anything in the water including objects such as rocks, logs, bicycles and tires. The sonar equipment is very effective for scanning large areas or areas that have little visibility, said Edwards.

Though the equipment is great at picking up objects that can't be seen with the naked eye outside of the water, the device does have its limitations.

"It doesn't work in weeds because they pick up the signal too much and the signal can't be sent back to the receiver properly. The equipment also faces problems in high target areas and that's what we have here. There are all kinds of rocks, logs and trees. There's so much stuff on the bottom, which prohibits the equipment from coming up with an image."

Below are some water safety tips from the OPP to keep in mind when boating on the lakes this summer:

Always Wear your Lifejacket – If you don't wear it, it won't work. Examine PFD's and lifejackets for wear and tear and identify those that need replacing. If you have inflatable PFD's be sure to be familiar with their operating instructions.

Don't Drink & Boat – It is unacceptable to drink and drive a motor vehicle and the same holds true for drinking and boating. If you are caught operating a vessel while impaired you will also lose your ability to operate your motor vehicle.

Check your Boat – Familiarize yourself with the boat you are operating. Check the condition of your vessel and ensure it is properly prepared for the boating season.

Be Prepared – Mechanical breakdowns account for a significant number of calls for assistance to the Ontario Provincial Police. Most of these embarrassing incidents are preventable by ensuring your vessel is serviceable, you have sufficient gas. Part of being prepared is also making sure that the weather and water conditions are suitable for your day out on the water.

Planning – Remember when things go wrong on the water, it happens very quickly and you don't always have time to react. A prudent skipper always discusses his or her plans with a family member before they set out. ■

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County Policing

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Staff Sgt. Malcolm Quigley

"I'm putting a lot of checks and balances in place. I want to ensure that we are fiscally responsible and there is a lot of work to do internally in order to move forward," he said. Quigley also said that during the summer, police response is largely reactive, given the huge influx of people, but it is his goal to become much more proactive.

"I want to get everyone in the community into the spirit of cooperation," he said.

According to Quigley the enhanced visibility program got its start in the City of Kawartha Lakes and it was very well received. He said that initially the City had invested an annual amount of \$20,000, but it had been so successful the City now invests \$50,000 each year for additional coverage.

Quigley said there was one caveat to the program. "If bullets are flying somewhere, they are police officers and will have to respond. Otherwise you will own them for those specific periods of time."

Councillor Don Shortread asked how the program would work. Quigley said, "If you have a chronic problem, we will tailor our response to that. We'll start out by testing the waters and if Council feel the program is successful we'll continue with that approach and can even expand the program."

Quigley said he was very confident that Council would be pleased with the program.

He also said that technology had pushed officers into vehicles and he would like to get back to a more grass roots style of coverage. He advised Council that there would be more walking patrols which offered greater opportunities for residents and business owners to talk with the officers.

According to Quigley there has been somewhat of a revolving door of supervisors over the past few years. He said he needed buy in from all of them to do their jobs and meet the overall goals of the detachment.

"For the first time in four years we have four supervisors. They're all young and live in the area and I think that will make a huge difference," he said.

Assured that they weren't paying for a service they should already receive, the Algonquin Highlands Council agreed to participate in the program as did Dysart et al during their meeting early in June.

Minden Hills, however, had a different view of the situation. Despite strong support by Reeve Jim McMahon for the program and Deputy Reeve Cheryl Murdoch having 'grave concerns' for activity in the downtown area, the Minden Hills Council decided against taking part in the program.

In their submission to Council, members of the Haliburton Highlands Community Policing Advisory Committee and Staff Sgt. Quigley said that the funds could come from the 2008 OPP reconciliation. McMahon said the transaction should be transparent, but CAO Gerry Morrison disagreed, saying that those funds had already been earmarked.

When it came time for a vote, Councillors Barbara Reid, Rick Ratcliff, Bill Obee, Lisa Shell and Deputy Reeve Cheryl Murdoch all voted against the proposal. However, even though there was little appetite for the program in Minden Hills, Quigley will be speaking with the Council again at the end of this week.

Meanwhile, Highlands East Reeve Dave Burton sounded very supportive of the program. He said that he felt the enhanced police visibility would be very positive for both his municipality and the County as a whole, but was quick to add that no decision would be made until his Council met with Quigley at a meeting scheduled in mid July. ■

Police Reports

Missing Person Located

(Haliburton, ON.) – Officers from the Haliburton Highlands Detachment have located the missing person from Camp Towhee, Haliburton.

Thomas Adam Straub 20 years was reported missing to Haliburton Highlands Detachment of the OPP earlier on the 05 July 2009 but was located in good health at approximately 9:00 p.m. this evening. ■

Break And Enters

(Haliburton, ON.) – Officers from the Haliburton Highlands are investigating more than a dozen break and enters that have been reported in the Township of Minden Hills throughout the past several weeks.

The vast majority of the break ins have occurred during daylight hours. Members of the public are being encouraged to report any suspicious person(s), vehicles or activity to the O.P.P. Communications Centre at 1-800-1122 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS. ■

Fatal Motor Vehicle Collision

The City of Kawartha Lakes OPP is continuing to investigate a fatal motor vehicle collision, which occurred Monday afternoon (29 June) north of Cobocok, Ontario.

On Monday afternoon at approximately 3:45 p.m. the City of Kawartha Lakes OPP were called to the collision located on Baseline Road north of Hugill Road, just north of the village of Cobocok, Ontario. The investigation revealed that a green 1999 Ford Excursion with 6 occupants, was traveling southwest on Baseline Road approaching Hugill Road. The vehicle lost control and entered the ditch, rolling over and striking a pole.

A passenger in the vehicle, Shante Tracy Roberts, 20 years old, of Scarborough was pronounced dead at the scene.

Two other passengers suffered serious, life threatening injuries. Jessica LUKE, 17 years old, of Mississauga was air lifted to St. Michael's Hospital in Toronto shortly after the accident. Cassandra Sheppard, 18 years old, of Scarborough was initially transported to Lindsay's Ross Memorial Hospital but was later transferred to St. Michael's Hospital as well.

The three remaining occupants, Robert LAINE, 21 years old, Aneel ANSARI, 26 years old, and John MENDOZA, 23 years old, all of Scarborough were transported to Lindsay's Ross Memorial Hospital for treatment of non-life threatening injuries.

Baseline Road was closed for 6 hours during the investigation. ■

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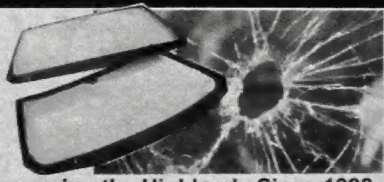
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Sometimes, no matter how many times you ask or how good your intentions are, the answer to a request remains the same. At least, that is the case with Dysart et al's denial of Ron and Sheila Stackhouse's request to use an original road allowance as a pathway and location for a hydro installation.

The road allowance in question runs along a 15 acre Stackhouse property on County Road 21 through to Wonderland Road and subsequently Kashagawigamog Lake. While the property has driveway access to County Road 21, the couple are in the process of creating a road through the property to open up possible future building sites.

The Stackhouses have established that the best building site, located on high level ground in the midst of mature trees and a distance from the highway is at the southeast corner of their parcel, making the most direct access to the lake and the shortest route for a hydro installation along the original road allowance. They originally proposed a 16 foot wide trail (as required by Ontario Hydro) that would be amenable to running underground hydro cable and would allow pedestrian and ATV use.

The original request was not supported by Council as the parcel of land, created by consent of the Land Division Committee, was approved based on access being provided from County Road 21. In addition, the Municipality's policy for ATV use of municipal roads and road allowances did not support the request.

Ron Stackhouse was present as a delegation at the Dysart et al Council meeting this week to make additional arguments in support of his request for use of the road allowance. He acknowledged that there was opposition to his request by a group of neighbours and that Council was being asked to make a tough decision amid conflicting positions.

Stackhouse provided a number of references to municipal by-laws that he felt supported his request. He also suggested that Council had already set precedent with respect to use of the road allowance, or had failed to enforce existing rules pertaining to its use by allowing two driveways from land locked properties to access a portion of the road allowance and by allowing the continued use of a dock at the end of the road allowance by one or two of the area's property owners as boat anchorage.

"I would like to see a simple solution without ticking off our neighbours or putting Council on the spot," he said. "The way we see this is that the road allowance is currently being used to the benefit of two or three land

owners and to the detriment of others. Council needs to come up with a solution that respects the existing neighbours but also takes our request and all of the existing factors into consideration."

He also commented that at some point in the future, vacant properties in the area would become populated and the road allowance would become a matter of interest to those owners. He also acknowledged that the path would have to remain simply as a hydro conduit and walking trail, since municipal rules prohibit other forms of traffic.

Stackhouse proposed reducing the width of the path to 3 metres and installing it in such a way that it would be unseen given the dense bush in the area. He also commented that the pathway would provide access for a number

of other properties that he said were land locked.

"Our request is extremely reasonable. I would like the neighbours to understand that we don't want to rock the boat. However, I do want it understood that I want to run a hydro line as is my right."

Reeve Murray Fearrey advised Stackhouse that permission had not been granted for the installation of a dock and that there had been an offer to remove the dock voluntarily. He also confirmed that when the road allowance was originally opened it had been due to the fact that there was no access to the properties at the time.

"The neighbours are concerned that you will not be there forever and your severance was approved based on frontage on County Road 21," he said adding that Stackhouse's argument about a hydro installation was valid but that he would likely want a dock in place as well.

Fearrey said, "You have identified the potential for nine individual lots that will also want access to the water and that is a slippery slope for us." He added that the other issue of concern for Council is that the Official Plan does not allow back lot developments to have use of the waterfront.

Councillor Derek Knowles, referring to future development of the area, commented that the Municipality may be obliged to build a road at some point. Stackhouse, however, suggested that the grade in the area was not conducive to standard road construction adding that it might be appropriate for driveways in the future.

Knowles also voiced concern about the existing dock which had been extended by an additional sixteen feet at some point. "My position is that there should not be any docks there. We're heading towards a marina," he said.

Councillor Steve Pogue concurred with Knowles on the issue of the dock. He also said that the precedent referred to was to allow access for land locked properties, which was not the situation for Stackhouse. "To me it would be a bad precedent opening access to the lake for you when you have access to County Road 21."

Fearrey asked Council if any of them supported the request but the room was filled with silence. He said, "You can see what the consensus is. This is a can of worms that no one wants to open."

He also said, "My greatest concern is opening access to the shoreline. Owners change and that could cause problems in the future. It happened before and this will only compound the problem."

Stackhouse commented that Council's decision was unfortunate as the cost to install hydro would increase considerably for him. Fearrey recognized that Stackhouse had made some good points, but reiterated that Council could not accommodate him.

Stackhouse asked about the future of the docks and Fearrey confirmed that they will be removed. ■

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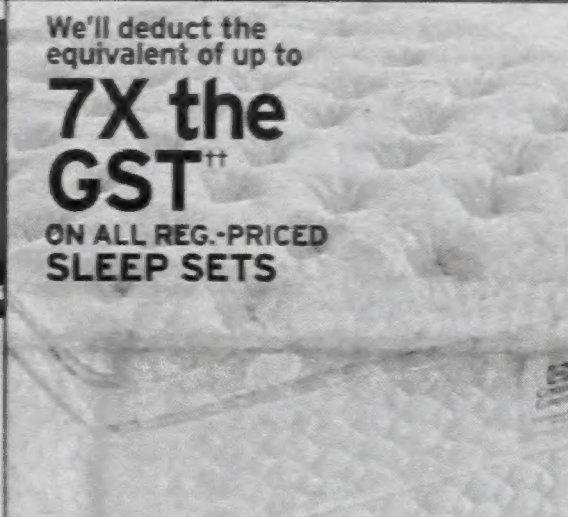
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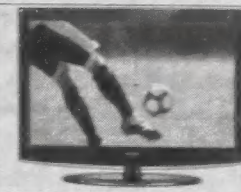
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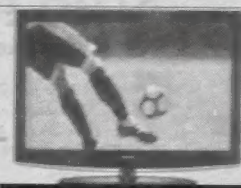
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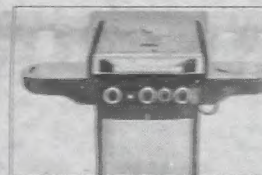


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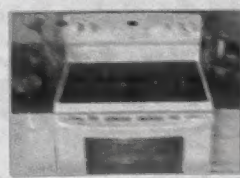
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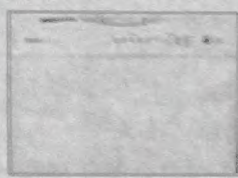
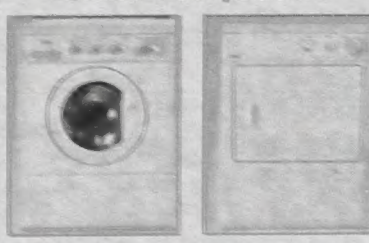
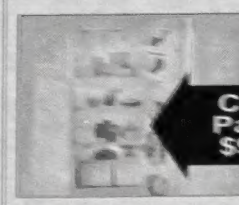
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County Official Plan Review Continues

Liz Danielsen

Staff Reporter

Last week stakeholders from across the County provided input into the County's Official Plan (OP) review.

Those in attendance represented a wide variety of interests and organizations that included but were certainly not limited to the Haliburton County Development Corporation, the Coalition for Equitable Water Flow, the Land Trust, the Coalition of Haliburton Associations, the forestry industry as well as health and education. All were there to brainstorm and help set priorities for the OP.

According to County Planning Director Jane Tousaw, stakeholders were not selected because of their affiliation to any specific organization, but were asked to attend because of their many affiliations, experience and involvement in different aspects of the community at large. Tousaw said that the Steering Committee wanted to ensure that stakeholders addressed concerns related to the environment, development, education, health, business and tourism.

The County's OP acts as a broad but high level policy document that guides and directs municipal planning. Lower tier OP's are the documents that provide detailed land use policies that specify permitted uses and development patterns for lands within their specific planning areas.

The actual review of the County's plan wasn't required until 2011. However, statutory five year reviews for Dysart et al and Highlands East are due in 2009 and Algonquin Highlands and Minden Hills' plans are both due in 2010.

In order to proceed with a 'top down' approach and bring the timing into alignment, the County was asked by the municipali-

ties to initiate their plan review early allowing provincial policy direction to be negotiated through the upper tier process.

According to County Planning Director Jane Tousaw, when the County's OP was adopted in March of 2006, several amendments were made that brought the plan into line with provincial policy statements, but some things continue to remain out of line with provincial direction which will be the focus of this review, including (but not limited to) a natural heritage strategy, environmental protection, protection of endangered species and policies on growth.

Tousaw advised the group that the Steering Committee had collected background information during February and March and held pre-consultation meetings with the appropriate ministries to identify issues that they felt needed to be addressed. Similar meetings were also held in May with each of the municipalities to gather input prior to proceeding further with the process.

Several open houses have been planned for the public, one that afternoon and the next one scheduled for late August. However, Tousaw urged anyone wishing to comment on the process to submit their comments in writing and she will ensure they are passed on to the Steering Committee and Council in preparation for the final draft.

During the stakeholders' session, participants were split into working groups. Tousaw and Page Agnew of Fotenn Consultants Inc., the lead planning consultants working on the review, had three questions for group consideration and discussion and each group then contributed their comments and recommendations.

The first question was, "What role do you believe an OP can play in strong communities, a clean and healthy environment and economic growth?"

Barry Martin, speaking for one group said that the OP should ensure collection and sharing of good information for planning at both levels. He also suggested that the OP should enable the municipalities as well as clearly define roles and responsibilities.

Jim Blake said that the document should provide a clear vision for the County, should be accountable both to the province and to residents and that there should be clear direction and benchmarks to work from. Other groups suggested that the OP should provide strong leadership.

Bonnie Fleischaker said, "Our County is unique and the official plan should establish the County as an environmental leader."

The group also suggested that the County should be in charge of their own watershed. They suggested that attempts should be made to attract a database corporation and that the plan should include definitions of terms in order to be able to understand the language in the plan.

Don Benson emphasized the need for clarity in the plan's language to ensure that there was a clear understanding of what 'should be done' as opposed to what 'must be done.' Benson, referring to policies that protect natural heritage, also commented that the OP should include statements that direct how to achieve some of the policies.

Agnew advised the group that the language being used was dependant on what the provincial policy says as well as the County's perspective. Agnew

also said that while the OP must be consistent with provincial policy it also has the discretion to establish stronger statements in certain areas.

Sue Shikaze suggested that the OP should include links that interconnect the various areas that it covers, using as examples how County demographics are connected to growth and how transportation policies affect quality of life.

The second question was, "What are the positive aspects or assets of the County that can be enhanced or protected by development and land use policies contained in the OP?"

Stakeholders saw the County as a unique natural wonder in Southern Ontario at the top of three distinct watersheds, with clean water. They placed a very high priority on the environment and felt that preserving natural heritage should be given priority in the OP.

They also noted that the County has well-educated and eager residents that need to be organized and that in order to achieve economic growth existing strengths in arts, culture, natural heritage needed to be drawn upon.

It was noted that there was presently no section in the plan on economic development that is supportive of sustainable natural and healthy environment. The need to provide protection and enhancement of business, particularly green business, the arts and tourism was also stressed. There was also a note that public access to the County's natural assets should be protected.

The third question posed to the group was, "What aspects or assets of the County are not currently strongly represented or protected enough?"

One of the first priorities was the fact that the County's aging population needs to be addressed in the OP as well as community services for that population.

Emphasis was also placed on the fact that the Rail Trail and its management are not included in the plan. The need for policies with respect to agriculture, healthy active communities, watershed management including surface and ground water, transportation, air quality and lighting (night skies) were also raised.

Other aspects of the OP that stakeholders felt were not strongly enough represented were issues surrounding water, protecting lake communities, shoreline and wetlands education, source water protection (water levels and water quality), conservation authorities, mining policies and mapping.

Martin suggested that the language of the plan should be more contemporary. Tousaw acknowledged that the province needs to address the language used in its own policies with a move from references to 'smart growth' to a greater emphasis on sustainability.

Comments were also made about the need for more guidance in implementing policies as well as the need for information and monitoring systems.

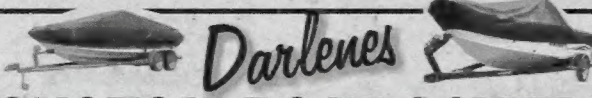
Jim Blake raised the question of the vision statement and how it was created. Tousaw mentioned the visioning exercise that had been held last year and a number of questions were raised about the results of that session and how it fit in with the OP. It seemed widely accepted that the results of the visioning session had not been properly disseminated.

Andy Campbell inquired how lake plans could be tied into the OP. Agnew suggested that lake plans could be acknowledged in a general way in the County's OP, but suggested that more specific recognition should be incorporated into the lower tier OP's. Don Benson, however, said that all of the lake plans identified water and water quality as their most important aspects and that this should be recognized at the County level.

As a final note, Benson also raised the matter of the Rail Trail. He said it was important to look at what had been done with rail trail corridors in other areas, adding that many had been restricted to non motorized users. He said, "The County is trying to please everyone, which simply does not work."

Tousaw and Warden Dave Burton thanked all of the stake-

holders for their input. If members of the public wish to participate in the process you can visit the County's website (www.haliburton-county.ca), attend public open houses (the draft OP policies will be presented at a meeting on the afternoon of August 28th) or you can submit your comments to Jane Tousaw at 705-286-1333 or to jtousaw@county.haliburton.on.ca.


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A Journey Through Time

A History of St. Paul's Anglican Church, Minden Ontario

George Farrell
Staff Reporter

A Journey Through Time is an informative booklet which was compiled and written by Gareth Kellett, Archivist for St. Paul's Anglican Church, Minden. The Kellett family goes way back in the history of the Minden area. It would seem appropriate then to tell a little of Gareth's background, and how he came to write of the venerable Minden landmark. In 1850 Gareth's great grandfather settled on a farm just north of the Denna Lake Road. He sired a total of 12 children, many of whom stayed in the area, and with the exception of one daughter who moved to Alberta, they all stayed in Ontario.

Stanley Kellett, was Gareth's grandfather whose son Elmer had two sons. Gareth was one, and Sherdon was the other. Gareth, and his wife Catherine, who he met when both were attending Teachers College have two daughters Janine, and Lori Anne. Both are married and have children, but the only male to carry on the name is Sherdon's son Travis.

Gareth is a former teacher at Elementary and Secondary schools in Oakville, (where Catherine also taught), Cannington, and Haliburton County. He was the Principal at Dorset Elementary for nine years in the late 1970's and early 80's, and he retired as Vice Principal of Archie Stouffer School in 1989.

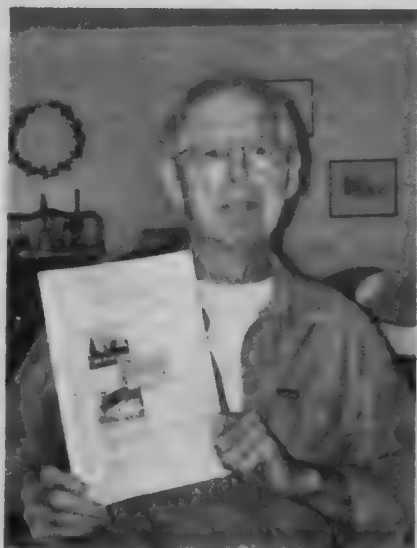
A Journey Through Time is Gareth Kellett's second publication, the first being Stately Elms, Spreading Maples, The History of the Kellett Family In Haliburton County, a 185 page effort which was published in 2006 and sold over 200 copies. Gareth self-published both booklets.

"I've always been interested in family histories," says Gareth, who is a long time member of the Haliburton Highlands Genealogy Group. "I can't sit on the sidelines; I have to get my feet wet. Over the years we've dealt with cemetery records by getting information from tombstones. We've recorded all the local cemeteries and we get additional information from the internet and library archives in places like Toronto. The Mormons have great records of the Peterborough, Bancroft and Bracebridge areas and if you persevere you can get access to the United and Anglican Church archives in Toronto. Since the advent of the internet Genealogy has really taken off, and the Mormons are in the process of putting all their records on line. You can also look up various ancestry sites from around the world."

St. Paul's Anglican in Minden is the oldest functioning church in Haliburton County still standing. Others may lay claim to older sites, but those churches have been rebuilt. "There was some history of the church, but I decided that all the pieces of information had to be gathered together and updated. The booklet covers from the beginning of the church in 1865, to 2009," Gareth explains. "We're not sure who the original contractor was, but William Williams helped in the construction, and Alf Langdon, the originator of the famous Langdon Canoe constructed the pews, pulpit and alters which are still standing."

"In 1865 Rev. Frederick Burt came from Haliburton to begin the ministry in Minden. Originally services were held in homes, schools and the old Methodist Church, where (lawyer) Don Finn's offices were located on Newcastle Street. By 1870 or '71 St. Paul's was finished and regular services were being held." The landmark Old Clergy House, across the river from the church on Water Street, was manse for the church for some years, but the original clergy house was located on Bobcaygeon Rd, next to the cemetery.

On page three of A Journey Through Time, in a short letter from Wally Reed, People's



Author Kellett and the booklet

Warden 2009, he gratefully acknowledges "Gareth Kellett, for ...assembling and organizing all the information from previous records, archival data, parishioners reminiscences and personal recollections..."

"But a lot of the older members are now gone so we were limited in getting first hand historical information," Gareth exclaims sadly. Gareth has been a member "for 60 odd years," so he's seen a thing or two in his time with the church, and A Journey Through Time reflects his obvious passions for its history. "I could have gone into more depth," he says, "but the time factor didn't allow it. What I've set out to do I've accomplished. From people who have read it, and a couple of them are writers, I've had positive feedback."

Gareth Kellett wanted to bring out the book to coincide with the Minden Sesquicentennial and also with Open Doors tour." Another reason for bringing the book out at this point is for a fundraiser for the church." So, mission accomplished.

Although the booklet is smallish at 44 pages, its chock full of information, with sections devoted to The Beginning of St Paul's Church, The

Clergy, Lay Readers and Organists, Changes At St. Paul's, The Blessing of Stained Glass, and The Minden Cemetery, among the 12 chapters. There are many photographs of the interior and exterior of the church as well as photos of such luminaries as the Rev. Fred Burt and Alf Langdon, the stained glass windows, as well as many other pics from the past. There's also a photo of the Rev. Riscylla Shaw, Priest in Charge of St. Paul's 2009. This picture, though recent is now history, as the Reverend has just left for a new position in Bolton Ontario.

A Journey Through Time, The History of St. Paul's Anglican Church, Minden, Ontario is available from Gareth Kellett. You can reach him at 286-4434. It's also available through the church office: 286-2541. The booklet cost \$20,



Interior St Paul's Anglican Church, Minden

and if you'd like an autographed copy, or would like to meet the author, he'll be signing some of the 100 limited copies at Organic Times, the health food store on Bobcaygeon Rd, on July 11th from 1-4 pm. If you'd like to visit St Paul's "it's located on Invergordon, right across the river from the beer store; everyone knows where that is," says Archivist Kellett with a smile. ■



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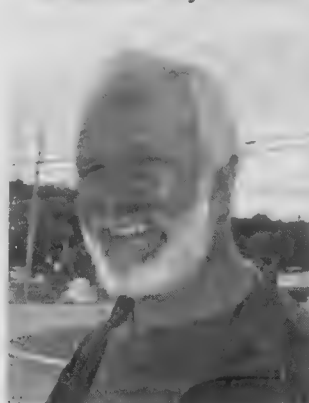
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We asked people, "How do you feel about this rainy and dull weather we've been experiencing this summer? What do you tend to do when the weather isn't warm and sunny? Do you find that the dreary weather affects your mood?"



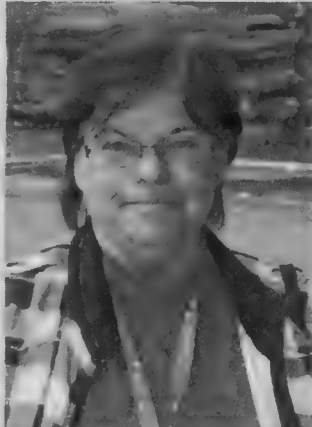
Bob Weatherhead (cottager), Drag Lake – "It hasn't been the best the past couple of weeks. I'm up here about 70 per cent of the time. When it's raining outside I try to do indoor projects in cottages, primarily in my own place. I also go and catch some shows at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion. I guess the summer is my favourite season, but I also like the winter because I ski and snowmobile. This weather does bring my mood down a bit."



Janice Ryckman, Soyers Lake – "It's terrible! There's too much rain, we need more sun. It's cold too. We had our furnace on this morning. To me it seems like we just got out of winter. I try to get out and do some gardening in between the rain showers. I find most people seem to be happier with summery weather."



John Lomax (cottager), West Guilford – "I've been cottaging and camping for a long time so cold and wet weather doesn't stop me from doing anything. However, I do prefer nice weather. I can always find stuff to do. If it's raining I'll do some interior work in my cottage or shed. It's also a good time to burn some old wood. I don't think the rainy weather affects my mood. I'm just happy to be off work for a few days."



Marion Wingrove, Wilberforce – "I don't mind it – I like it. I don't like the heat, but I do like it when the sun is out. The weather now can be depressing and I know that nice weather helps out our local economy. I work inside so it doesn't matter to me what it's doing outside. I think the weather affects everyone's moods. If you have four straight days of cloud some people aren't as cheery as they would be when it's sunny."

Earthweek: A Diary of the Planet

By Steve Newman



Volcanic Sunsets

Skywatchers across the United States and Northern Europe have been treated to unusually vivid and colorful sunsets thanks to the eruption of Sarychev Peak volcano on June 12 in Russia's Kuril Islands. The blast sent massive plumes of sulfur dioxide and other debris soaring high into the stratosphere. According to Spaceweather.com, the combination has created white ripples in the evening skies, along with hints of lavender. Some meteorologists believe the airborne volcanic debris is also having a marginal cooling influence on the atmosphere of the Northern Hemisphere this summer.

Monsoon Relief

Recent fears that a delayed southwest monsoon across much of India would bring drought and rising food prices were alleviated by drenching rains that finally reached New Delhi and other northern cities. The rainfall and cloud cover also ended the annual pre-monsoon season of "heat and dust," with daytime temperatures dropping from near 105 degrees Fahrenheit to the more comfortable 70s. The rainy season across India usually lasts from June to September. But with nearly a month of that period being rain-free this year, government meteorologists predict precipitation will be only 93 percent of the long-term average nationwide.

Tropical Cyclone

Tropical Storm Nangka weakened to a tropical depression prior to making landfall in China's Guangdong province, just east of Hong Kong. The disturbance landed near Huizhou City with diminished winds of only 35 mph.

Winged Aesthetics

A Japanese professor has demonstrated that pigeons can be trained to tell the difference between paintings that humans consider to be beautiful and paintings that, how shall we say it, don't measure up. Shigeru Watanabe of Keio University borrowed four birds from the Japanese Society for Racing Pigeons and had them view a series of paintings created by students at a Tokyo elementary school. The birds were rewarded with food if they pecked at paintings that received a good grade and had also been unanimously considered beautiful by a panel of 10 adults. They received no reward for pecking at paintings that didn't quite make the grade. Through the month-long experiment, the pigeons were eventually exposed to paintings they had not seen before. Writing in the journal *Animal Cognition*, Watanabe says the winged critics learned to peck at the previously unseen good art twice as often as at the comparable crude paintings. But the birds were unable to tell the difference when color was removed or the art was modified to become highly pixelated.

North Atlantic Melt

Danish researchers say that the extent of sea ice between Greenland and Norway's Svalbard Arctic islands is the lowest in at least 800 years. By examining tree ring and ice core samples, as well as ship logs and harbor records, a team from the Niels Bohr Institute pieced together a picture of how much of the ice has existed since the year 1200. Writing in the journal *Climate Dynamics*, lead author Aslak Grinsted says that the ice extent is lower now than even during the 13th century, which was an unusually warm period.

Earthquakes

Southwest China's quake-weary Sichuan province was jolted by a string of moderate earthquakes, with the strongest damaging thousands of buildings. Eight people were also injured when the 5.6 magnitude quake struck near the city of Mianzhu. About 50 Maori tribe members evacuated their homes on New Zealand's North Island due to the danger of mudslides being unleashed by an ongoing swarm of tremors near their village of Waihi. Earth movements were also felt in Taiwan, Hawaii, central Chile, Iceland, southern Greece, Crete, north-west Oklahoma and Cleburne, Texas.

Stoned Wallabies

A group of kangaroo-like marsupials has been getting high in Australian poppy fields grown for medicine, and then hopped around in an opium-induced daze, according to a government official. "We have a problem with wallabies entering poppy fields, getting as high as a kite and going around in circles. Then they crash," said Tasmanian Attorney General Lara Giddings. The Australian Broadcasting Corp. reports she made the announcement at a hearing on security for poppy crops. She added that the animals actually have been creating crop circles while under the influence. Earlier reports say that sheep have also eaten some of the poppies, then walked around in circles. Australia exports about 50 percent of the world's legally grown opium used to make morphine and other painkillers.

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Lobster Mania Returns to Haliburton and the Pinestone Resort

Have You Been Docked? It's Worth Nine Holes of Golf!

Terrance Gavan

Staff Reporter

If you find a lobster on your dock this month, don't kick it into the drink.

It's worth a free round of golf.

Yes, the Pinestone Resort and Conference Centre is revving up their highly successful lobster promotion which hit the water running for the first time last summer.

"The Lobsterfest campaign was a huge success last year and everyone was pleased with the traffic of lobsters in and out of our doors...we simply had to follow up with it again this year," says Cynthia Romanyk, General Manager of the Resort.

You may have seen the large floating lobsters in the Pond at Pinestone as you drive past the resort on County Road 21 just west of Haliburton.

The inflatable crustaceans serve a twofold purpose says Wanda Robinson, Marketing Administrator at Pinestone and instigator of the Dock Lobster program last year.

"One they (the floating lobsters) let our local community know that Lobsterfest is on, and two, they actually clear the property of Canada Geese."

The staff noticed that the geese all skedaddled from the property shortly after they were placed in the pond last summer. "So it was absolutely worth a try again this year and the lobsters have already rid our property of the geese", says Robinson, who is hoping to continue the tradition again next season.

"The idea was born here, and here it shall stay," adds Robinson. "We'd like the community to know that the Dock Lobster campaign is unique to Haliburton County and we are proud of that. We're hoping that our Dock Lobsters gain Haliburton some real national, if not international recognition!"

And so you ask, how does this all work?

Well every Friday night and Saturday morning Lobsters are

hand-delivered randomly to docks in Haliburton County.

"If you find one the loveable creatures on your dock, you are invited to bring it back to the Heatherwood dining room within a specified time to be redeemed for 9 holes of golf at Pinestone Resort," says Robinson.



As part of the promotion the Pinestone Resort & Conference Centre is re-introducing the pink crustaceans into the lakes of Haliburton County to invite our seasonal and permanent residents to return them to the newly re-tooled Heatherwood dining room.

The special Lobster dinner is part of the month long campaign. Executive Chef Sean Tweten managed all aspects of the new Heatherwood redesign, and the menu hasn't changed this year - well, except for the dessert.

"We've switched to offering my Award Winning dessert which is Chocolate and Pastry Cream filled Spring Rolls with White Chocolate Sauce and Vanilla Ice Cream," says Chef Tweten.

"The lovely 3-course lobster meal is only \$56 per person and

that includes a choice of appetizers, main entrees and the decadent dessert," says Robinson. As an added bonus, everyone who orders the Lobsterfest meal gets entered into a draw for a prize from Pinestone Spa & Wellness Centre.

Robinson reminds everyone who If you "Get Docked", remember to bring back the lobster to Heatherwood so it can be delivered to someone else's dock. "If you bring it back to the dining room, you'll receive a voucher for 9 holes of golf here at the Resort," says Robinson.

In an effort to spark interest locally the Pinestone is ramping up a nifty little "play local" initiative.

"It's very important to us that the local community feels welcome here, and it is probably our main objective this year," says Robinson. "We want people to feel welcome to golf and dine here any night of the week ... it's never been clear to us why so many have often thought our facilities were for guests only - it's certainly never been the case."

Monday Night is Mens Night Out - not strictly a men's night but men are welcome to come out once, or every Monday - it's 11 holes of golf with a cart, dinner and weekly sponsored prizes are included all for \$40 (plus tax).

Tuesday is 2-for-1 Residents day - if you've got a drivers license or any proof of residency, bring it, show it and your partner doesn't pay.

Thursday is Family Night - after 5pm - children golf for free with a paying adult. Wanda says it's part of Pinestone's effort to get kids active and playing golf.

Friday Night is Date Night a couples night which gets you 9 holes of golf with a cart and dinner included in Gallery on the Green - for two. All that for which is \$89 taxes in.

"That's a fantastic deal," says Robinson, also an avid golfer. "Cottagers and locals alike have plenty of time to get to the course. Tee-offs are anytime after 4pm.

Sunday afternoon rates are pretty good too. After 3 pm, 18 holes with a cart is just \$59, and if you walk, it's \$49. And again on Sunday, 9 holes after 5pm with a cart is just \$36, walking, it's just \$30.

The golf is great at the Pinestone and remember that Lobsterfest is on now until Monday August 3rd. ■

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Golden Helmets

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The Golden Helmets team was formed in 1963 and each year it tours the Province of Ontario giving exhibitions. Every member of the Golden Helmets is a serving OPP officer who rides the motorcycle as part of his or her regular traffic duty. The team consists of members from detachments all across the province and the majority of time spent with the Golden Helmets is voluntary. The team executes an average of 30 performances a season, but to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the OPP, the Golden Helmets will be doing 42 shows this year.

At the conclusion of the performance an observer noted that one of the members was wearing a small, pink backpack as he rode off. Rumour has it that this is the "consequence" of accidental contact with a teammate's bike during maneuvers. If, in fact, this is the case, it went unnoticed by most. Seems all bike gangs have their own code of discipline! ■



Above: Tenor Richard Margison and his daughter Lauren, from the Highlands Opera Studio, sing a spirited O Canada.

At right: the OPP's Golden Helmets strut their stuff.

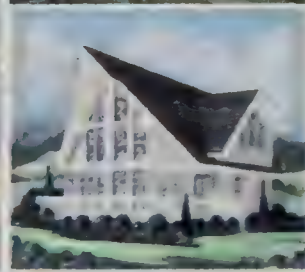


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Kennisis Lake - \$389,900

Private, south-facing property with a big lake view. Four-season, bright and cozy cottage with log accents in the great room for that special ambience and a separate dining room with loads of windows. All furnishings included. Matching Bunkie and Shed. Southerly view shows amazing big lake views.



Kennisis Lake - \$499,700

Acreage with Pristine and Peaceful Waterfront. This North facing property is in a bay of Big Kennisis on the West Shore and boasts 27 acres of forest with 420 ft of sandy lakefront. The Driveway is in and a site has been cleared to build on with an 8' x12' cabin. Many pleasant features to this vast property.



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3 Lake Chain - \$219,000

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Private - \$279,900

Waterfront home or cottage on large level lot excellent year round access. This property has it all from the detached garage w/studio, full basement, main flr laundry & lg kitchen with oak cabinetry. The full unfinished basement is bright, high & dry & offers a clean slate for finishing. The lot is quite private & has been kept natural on one side to attract birds & wildlife. Right across from Crown land.



Contractors & Mechanics - \$149,900

Large shop over 1000 sq ft set on 2.15 ac M-1 zoned. Features include two entrances on Gelert Rd, maintenance free exterior, built in 1995, modern septic, drilled well and aluminum fascia and soffit. 14 ft ceilings, 12 ft industrial door. Well insulated with thermopane, security system. Highway exposure and allows for a dwelling unit.



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Stothart Creek - \$449,000

Choose your Finishes - Bayou Cottage on .86 ac is 2.2 km from Haliburton. Main flr ensuite, with walk-in shower & soaker tub, features a lg master closet & private room for reading & entertainment. The 2nd flr with balcony hall, abundant closets & storage, has 3 lg br and 2 baths. The rec room could provide an additional suite for family with an optional separate ent from the garage.



Kashagawigamog Lake - \$789,900

Custom home w/lots of wood & windows, vaulted ceilings & beams, large gourmet custom kitchen w/composite counter tops & cherry cabinets, dry stacked stone fp, 2nd storey master suite w/bath, sitting room & balcony. 'Carriage House' w/ a single garage, 23'x12' workshop/studio & charming 2nd storey guest quarters overlooking the lake.

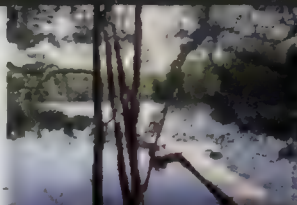


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Water Street - \$169,000

Large 5 bedroom in town home with main floor wheel chair access. Large principal room, separate apt. upstairs, could be 2 with walk out to large deck. Level land with 2 other sheds, 3 bathrooms complete the package.



Kushog Lake - \$165,500

Great waterfront lot, with tear down cottage, has hydro, no septic - easy access in winter. Bunkie in good condition. Being sold in 'AS IS' condition. Kushog is a pristine lake - 9 miles long - good fishing.



Geoff Bunn
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Portage Lake - \$239,000

Great 3 Bedroom cottage located just a short drive from Haliburton. The shoreline has 158 ft of sandy pebbly bottom that is great for swimming, or dive off the dock into the deep water. At the end of the day, relax on the deck enjoying the view over the lake.



Starter or Retirement - \$134,900

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12 Mile Lake - \$239,900

Superb property on 12 Mile Lake with a great sunrise view and sandy, gravel shoreline, great for kids and adults alike. Enjoy the rustic feel of this basic cottage or build a new cottage to suit your dreams on the gently sloping lot.



Highway 116 - \$214,900

Great location just minutes from Haliburton Village, this 3 bedroom home features a full, walkout basement, attached garage and 8.5 acres of sugar bush. There is also a large storage building that could be used as an art studio.



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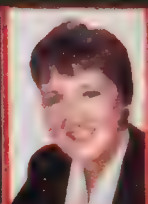
Angel Rd. - \$309,000

3 bedroom log home on a private, nicely treed lot with a view of the lake and close to the ski hill. Live year round or use as a ski chalet. Solid timber beams throughout, big windows allow natural light throughout, Scandinavian maple floors, frosted pine french glass doors to master bedroom and ensuite bath, corner jet tub, 2 baths, full walkout basement, drilled well and septic.



Maple Lake - \$479,900

Waterfront home or cottage. Level lot with a stunning view & clean sand shoreline. Open concept living area with gas fp. Hickory kitchen cabinets with rollout drawers & pantry. Antique pine flooring. Screened porch with w/o to deck. Main flr laundry. Large recrm with w/o to lake. Insulated dbl garage with 200 amp service & carport. Paved driveway, FAE heat, woodstove, central vac, and drilled well.

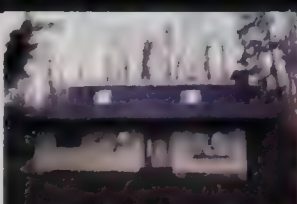


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Kushog Lake Home - \$749,000

Retirees will love the level lot and sandy beach, all the comforts in this lovely spacious 4 bedroom water front home with all the furnishings and upgrades you need. Oak trim throughout, large kitchen, formal dining and living rooms, main floor den and laundry. Walkout basement with sauna and full bathroom. Call Lynda Litwin to view this lovely home.



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Little Bob Lake - \$145,000
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Maple Lake - \$579,000
Beautifully appointed 2,700 sq ft open concept. 2 story cottage/home. R2000 only 9 years old. 155 feet of shoreline on level lot, easy access and easy maintenance.



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Little Glamor Lake - \$314,900
Little Gem on Little Glamor - Totally renovated cottage with custom maple cabinets, pine ceilings, poplar floor & wainscoting. 3 bedrooms and wraparound deck. Upgraded insulation and new roof. Very private, well treed lot with fabulous sand beach and great swimming.



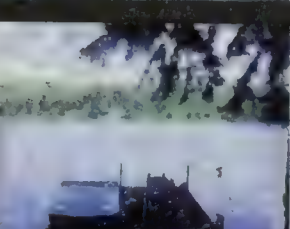
320 Acres - \$197,000
Incredible 320 acre parcel perfectly located between Stormy Lake & Little Glamor Lake. Access from either Alsop Road or Nestle Trail and backs onto Crown Land for even more outdoor fun. Stormy Creek travels from one end to the other and property has several trails. Right of way for Nestle Trail at southern corner of property.



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Red Pine Lake - \$249,000
Wow....1100' shoreline on this stunning rock and pine point. An original 2 bedroom cottage with screened porch is charming. Getaway and enjoy true cottaging at this water access property.



Howland Junction Lot - \$21,900
This lovely building lot with sandy soil and towering pine trees, is steps from the Burnt River and offers year round recreation possibilities on the rail trail running behind the lot.



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Koshlong Lake Road - \$398,000
Move right into this awesome 4 season home on 1000's of ft of waterfront & privacy of this large acreage piece! Swimming hole, gravel supply. Large country kitchen boasts oak cupboards & a walkout to screened in porch overlooking the river. Close to snowmobile trails & the village of Haliburton.



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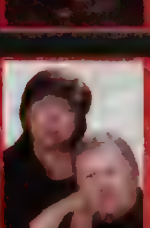
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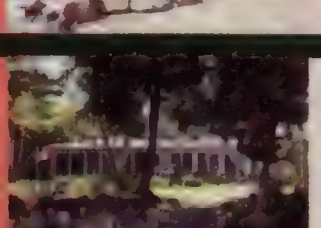
Drag Lake - \$319,900
Follow a winding driveway into a private, level setting on Outlet Bay. 3 bdrm. cottage, newly renovated kitchen, 3 large bedrooms and a four piece bath. 100 feet of water frontage within a sheltered bay on beautiful Drag Lake, also gives you access to scenic Spruce Lake. Lovely gardens and a fabulous sand beach make this cottage a true retreat! Trust schedule in LBO must accompany all offers.



S. Beaver Lake - \$224,900
A 3 season cottage with 215' frontage on the water. The interior is spacious and cheery, finished in pine with a peaked ceiling in the livingroom. 3 bedrooms plus a bunkie ensure room for everyone! South Beaver Lake is a small, quiet lake perfect for that peaceful escape.



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Boshkung Lake - \$1,199,000
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Horseshoe Lake - \$398,700
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Gull River, West Guilford - \$67,800
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The fun began on Thursday night and continued through until Sunday. "Open mic" gave entertainers and musicians an opportunity to get together and play with the Kinmount Jamboree Band. Main stage performances featured some top Canadian country talent. The music continued almost non-stop for several days.

Collector Ed Garland, owner of The Canadian Country Music Memorabilia Museum, was enthusiastic about sharing his knowledge and recounting stories pertaining to the Canadian country music scene. His collection includes over 2000 Canadian country collectibles including albums, 45's, tapes, posters and photos.

With the completion of the new fairground facilities, the Kinmount Agricultural Society members were able to provide full course breakfasts and dinners. The weather on Sunday didn't dampen the "country spirit", the entertainment simply continued inside the new arena. ■

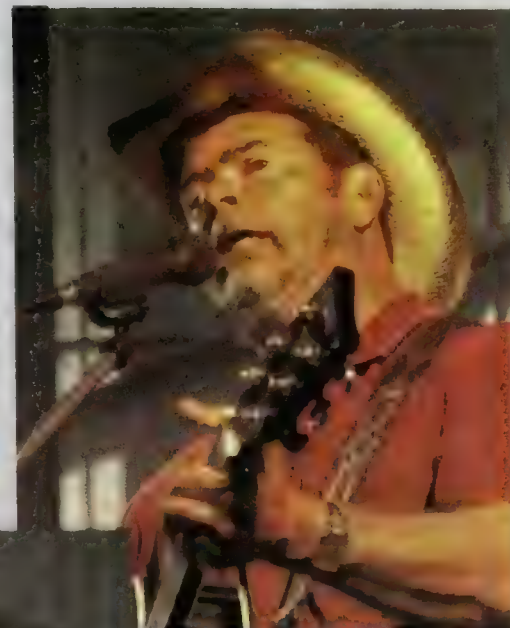
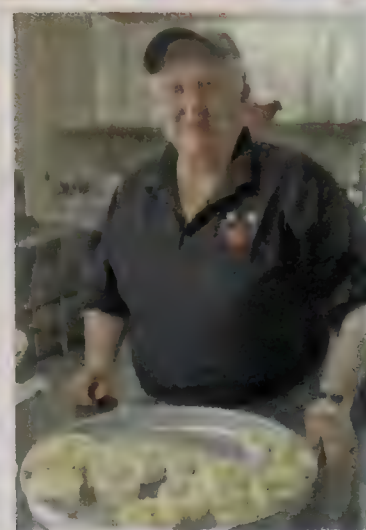


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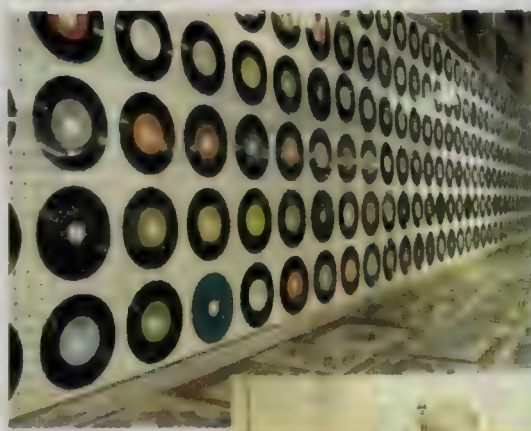
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Committee Function:

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Committee Composition:

Municipal Sector	Economic Sector	Other Interests
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	Recreation/Tourism (1)	Drinking Water Expert (2)
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	Economic Development (1)	Public (2)

For details on how to apply, including application form and committee member qualifications, visit www.trentsourceprotection.on.ca, or your local Conservation Authority offices.

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Celebrating Canada's 142nd Birthday Fireworks & Fun in Minden and West Guilford

West Guilford was crowded with locals and visitors on Wednesday, July 1, for the town's annual, popular Canada Day celebrations.

The day's festivities, which took place at the community centre, ball diamond and Pine Lake beach included: horseshoes, a swim in Pine Lake, water games at the beach, footraces, nail driving contest, cross-cut saw competitions, a pie eating contest, and fireworks at dusk on the lake.

In Minden the crowds also braved the rain and turned out in droves to celebrate. So what's a few drops on Canada's birthday? ■

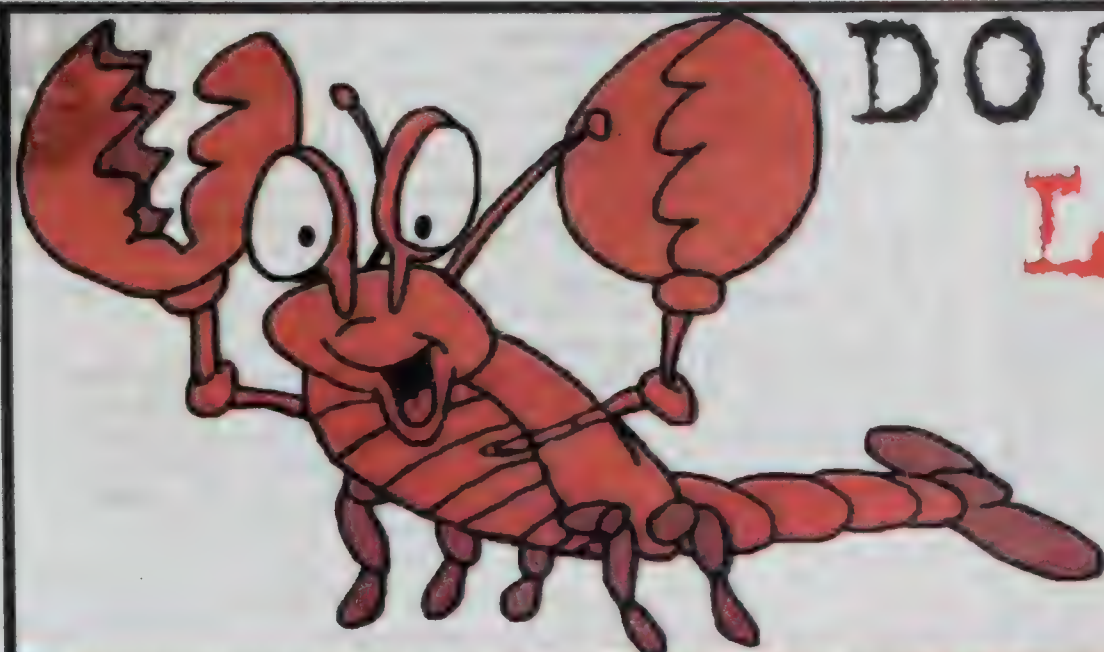


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Places for People Cuts Ribbon on Exciting Initiative – A Step to the Plate for Equity

Haliburton Group forging ahead with plans for affordable housing

"I'm not being critical of the two members up here, but both the province and the feds walked away from the housing industry some time ago. So what we need is to get the province and the feds to get seed money to the municipalities," said Dysart Deputy Reeve Bill Davis. "What we need to do is get the province and the feds back into housing."

What makes a house a home?

If you answered blood, sweat and some hammer-flattened thumbs, you're on the right track.

If you answered hundreds of dedicated and enlivened volunteer workers, you're getting warmer.

If you guessed Places for People - Haliburton County?

Move to the top of the class.

Last Friday afternoon, Places for People, that enervated little engine that could, took possession of their first property. The house is located at 19 George Street in Haliburton.

It's taken them two years of fundraising and four full years of ramped up organizational wizardry - sticky wandwork worthy of a Harry Potter - to get to this point. Haliburton County Places for People was officially incorporated as a not-for-profit agency back in the summer of 2007. But people were working behind the scenes to put the strategy together since 2005.

Last Friday marked the culmination of a long-interpreted dream for a dedicated group of tireless volunteer workers and board members of Places for People (P4P) Haliburton County.

Smiles abounded. These are exciting times for this burgeoning little think tank.

Places for People is a community-based, non-profit organization working to create safe rental housing for those at risk of homelessness in Haliburton County by offering the supports that encourage independence. The goal is to lay the groundwork for a strengthened community.

Fay Martin, president of Haliburton County P4P greeted over 70 local people and a dais full of celebrities in attendance at the unveiling ceremony. Andy Campbell and Evelyn Beeby, representatives from the Haliburton County Development Corporation (HCDC), joined Dysart et al Deputy Reeve Bill Davis, local MPP Rick Johnson and Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MP Barry Devolin for the inaugural ribbon-cutting ceremony.

Martin explained that the currently non-descript former dance studio on George Street will be transformed into two apartments, an initiative that will require some hard nail driving labor from local volunteers and contractors willing to give up some afternoons, evenings or weekends to work on the conversion.

Conversion time is up in the air and will depend on the level of input from the community said Martin.

She told the packed house that the purchase of the house was done with the support of the whole community, but was greatly facilitated by the HCDC, which have become the project's de facto bankers.

The group raised a total of \$20,000 to churn this project into fruition. That figure was the proposed bottom line required to purchase the property.

Martin says that the goal of the P4P initiative is to provide tenants with long-term affordable rental housing. This makes the family's shelter secure, allowing them to afford other life necessities and make progress on other issues.

The initiative will also set aside a trust fund based on a small percentage of rent paid. Without having any impact on

their small budget, tenants are able to build an asset that will help them move forward when they are ready.

They also commit to providing appropriate social supports for each family. This entails providing access to the resources they need to help get skills and education to move forward.

P4P's stated goal is to renovate old buildings into new housing in locations within walking distance to shopping, schools, and medical care. "This unit will become two three bedroom apartments, an up and down duplex, so to speak," explained Martin. "We will then rent it to people who are at risk of homelessness



- that is to say people who are on the bottom echelons of opportunity in our community."

Martin added that people on social assistance or the working poor are eligible. "They pay us what their shelter allowance is if they're on social assistance or a third of their income if they're working poor," explained Martin.

The group is assisted by a group known as DOOR (Developing Opportunities for Ontario Renters). DOOR sets a bridge to the rate that is established by the Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) and the average market rent for a three-bedroom apartment in Haliburton. CMHC establishes that market rate as \$908 in rent, including utilities.

Martin said that Places for People "had to do some pretty fancy footwork" to buy this property renovate it and service expenses based on two \$900 rental properties.

"We have been looking for a building since we began in 2007 just two years ago this month," said Martin. "We had to buy the building and then renovate it using community input sort of like Habitat for Humanity."

The renters will obviously move in under subsidized rates. "The tenants pay us what their shelter allowance is if they're on social assistance or one-third of their income if they're classified as working poor," said Martin.

MP Barry Devolin, a Haliburton resident, praised the initiative in a very stirring presentation. "People need places to live," said Devolin, "that's a fact."

"Homelessness in the city is well documented and there are not as many stories about rural homelessness, but I have traveled around this riding and I can tell you it's an issue."

Devolin added that local builders have been busy over the past decade putting up \$3 million houses on Kennis Lake, but added, just a little ruefully, that no one is building affordable housing right here in Haliburton.

Devolin did some quick math on the dais. You'd need to be making \$18 an hour to afford a three-bedroom apartment in Haliburton (based on the CMHC \$908 per month valuation) said Devolin. "Not many people are making that," said Devolin.

The Member of Parliament closed his remarks by sincerely thanking the P4P founders for their special initiative.

Rick Johnson, MPP for Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock concurred with Devolin, and said that he and Devolin were both

working together to provide input in an attempt to address issues of homelessness and foster support for people on social assistance and the many working poor in this riding.

"This is such a wonderful example of a community pulling together," said Johnson, who added that the issue

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of poverty is often hidden in a riding where patina shines vivid light on said \$3 million dollar cottages, and not on the intrinsic problems inherent with the riding's standard as the second poorest – based on per capita income – in the province. "I was on the school board for 12 years and we very heartily supported the breakfast club programs in the schools," said Johnson. "Poverty issues are very real."

Johnson added, "In the 2007 campaign I visited Gary Brohman (Hal High Principal) and he said if you want to really see what people are living in here he said come back when the leaves fall off the trees." Johnson, like his federal counterpart Devolin said poverty issues also revolve around the lack of transportation, subsistence jobs, and food.

"There's an issue of poverty," said Johnson. "And this (Places for People initiative) is a good example of people stepping up. It makes me proud to be a representative of this community."

Leaving the dais to Dysart et al Deputy Reeve Bill Davis, no stranger to this pressing issue of affordable housing, who placed a bold and sincere imprimatur upon the proceedings.

"I have been on the original Victoria Haliburton housing board since 1995," said Davis. "And the most number of telephone calls I get over those years has been 'where do we find affordable housing in Haliburton County?'"

"I'm not being critical of the two members up here, but both the province and the feds walked away from the housing industry some time ago. So what we need is to get the province and the feds to get seed money to the municipalities," said Davis. "What we need to do is get the province and the feds back into housing."

Like his provincial and federal compadres, Davis also offered his support and commended P4P, promising to green light any zoning required to put the house on George Street on the fast track.

"I know this community," said Davis, adding that there is a strong sense of community spirit in the Highlands. "When the going gets tough the tough get going," said Davis.

Now, as Martin said at the beginning of the meeting, is the time.

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From left: Dysart Councilor Janis Parker, Heather Thom, Linda Heeps, Elly Malcomsom, Robert McIvor, Dysart Councilor Andrea Roberts, Bessie Sullivan

The Friends of the Haliburton County Public Library made a donation presentation to the Dysart et al Library fund raising committee late last month.

Representatives of the friends of Haliburton County Public Library recently presented a cheque for \$1,000.00 to the Dysart et al Library fund raising committee for the new Dysart et al Library, a branch of the Haliburton county public Library system. The money will be used for furniture for the new library, situated in Head Lake Park.

As donors of \$1,000.00 the friend's names will be on the library's Donor Wall at the "Illustrator" level. All donations over \$500.00 will be recognized on a permanent donor Wall as "reader" (\$500.00); "Illustrator" (\$1,000.00); "Author" (\$2,500.00); "Editor" (\$5,000.00) or "Publisher" (\$10,000.00). Donors of over \$10,000.00 will also have naming rights to the meeting space, the lounge area and other facilities in the new library. All donations, large or small, are welcome and a tax receipts will be issued for all donations. To date \$30,000.00 has been raised.

Interested donors should contact Tammy McKelvey, CAO/Clerk, Municipality of Dysart et al, Box 389 Haliburton, On, K0M 1S0 (457-1740). ■

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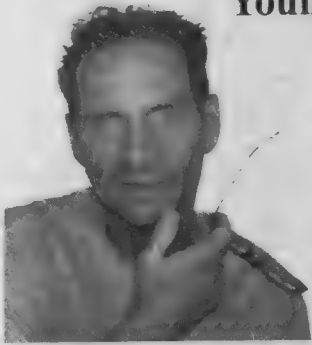
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The Ref and the Ump Coming Under Fire from Players and Fans

Young official assaulted in Kingston sends a message to house leagues everywhere



Terrance Gavan
Sports Editor

Reported in the Kingston Whig-Standard last week.

"Brandon Cross, a Level 2 certified umpire with four years experience, said he was punched twice in the face after a disputed

call at first base in a Quinte Loop junior game between Kingston and a team from the Wellington area."

Said Cross, a Grade 10 student at Frontenac Secondary School, "I called him out (on a tag near first base) and then he ran at me, swearing at me and threw a helmet at my feet. ... I told him to get out of here and he came back and threw punches toward my face."

The player was thrown out of the game after the incident. The game was called.

Police arrested Kyle Pyke, 19, of Kingston. He was charged with assault and one count of breach of probation.

Carol Steele, the president of Kingston Thunder Baseball, called an emergency meeting to determine disciplinary action.

"It's a sad day for everyone -- all officials whether it's umpires (in baseball) a hockey game or a soccer game," Steele said. "It's just mind-boggling."

It's awful, but it's not mind-boggling. Ontario hockey officials have been noticing a rising trend of ref abuse in the last decade. A great many recreational organizations are finding it very hard to recruit and keep young officials in sports like soccer, baseball and hockey.

Quite simply, the level of abuse is astounding, vile and reprehensible.

Compounded when foisted upon the gentle sensibilities of a 16-year-old.

The local soccer organization in Calgary recently instituted a "fair play" policy. The Calgary Minor Soccer Association (CMSA) instituted the strategy to fight a growing trend of official and player abuse on the part of its adult "fans" and the expected spillover of attitude transmitted to sons and daughters on the field.

"Teach your children well" apparently works both ways.

The CMSA reps all said that it was getting increasingly hard to recruit young officials.

Their response?

Fair Play.

Their mission statement?

"The CMSA will not tolerate disrespectful behaviour, harassment, abuse or damage to people or property."

They define harassment as: "any behaviour that demeans, humiliates or embarrasses a person, and that a reasonable person should have known would be unwelcome."

The by-laws are strictly enforced by a guardian group of volunteer parents.

It's enforced by a zero-tolerance strategy.

I'm more than a little on side with these little initiatives.

I started refereeing basketball in high school at St Pius X in Ottawa.

I enjoyed it.

I have had some beautiful experiences in my tenure as an Ontario official. I've officiated a few Ontario high school championships and some university ball in my 20-year career as an official.

Back in the late seventies I had an opportunity to referee the Men's National Basketball Tryout Camp at Carleton University. That was back when Coach Jack Donohue -- who coached Lew Alcindor (Kareem Abdul Jabbar) at Power Memorial when he was a high school coach -- was at the helm and guys like Jay Triano, Howard Kelsey, Leo Rautins, Varouj Gurunlian and Martin Riley were part of the team.

I officiated the Red and White National Team game before a stranding room only crowd at the Raven's Nest at the conclusion of the training camp.

I remember a scrimmage midway through the camp when aging veteran Martin Riley was defending a drive by the very strong and very agile Varouj Gurunlian. Gurunlian made a small plant with his shoulder and drove past Riley who was launched by the nudge. He was knocked off his feet and slid past me on the floor.

"What the hell was that?" asked Marty, looking up at me from his backside.

"Incidental contact?" I replied, looking a little sheepish and staring into the eyes of my boyhood idol.

And then I added conspiratorially: "Look Marty, sorry, but Jack (Coach Donohue) said to lay off the whistle and let you guys play."

Marty looked up.

Anger replaced in an instant by a smile.

"Okay," said Marty. And as I handed him the ball at the baseline he tapped me and winked.

"But next time, remember ... I'm the oldest guy out here, and

I'm 210 pounds ... I slid 20 feet on a tartan rubber floor on my ass," smiled Riley. Then he pointed at Gurunlian trotting back up the floor. "Take a look at that guy's muscles. That was never incidental contact."

I transferred from Carleton to University of Manitoba that fall, and I tried out for the men's basketball squad, coached by -- you guessed it -- the same Martin Riley.

I lasted five days and I remember that Marty called me into his Bison Sports office to cut me.

"Okay, where do I know you from?" asked Martin.

My turn to wink.

Training camp last May, I said.

The light went on. "Hah!" laughed Marty. "Incidental contact."

And then he looked at me and said: "You must be a great referee ... know how I know?"

And I answered, with a nudge of my own.

"Because you didn't remember me."

Still the biggest compliment a ref or an ump can get.

If you disappeared into the hardwood, and if no one remembers your face or your name, you officiated a great game.

When I first got involved in officiating a wise older ref told me.

"If you stick with it, officiating will instill maturity and patience."

He wasn't wrong. I enjoyed every minute of my career in officiating.

Sadly, a lot of young referees aren't getting the chance today.

They're being chased from the game by the boors and the lepers. A sports columnist from the UK Guardian, Steven Wells died last week.

He had some fitting words to the punchers and harassers.

"Refs are like traffic wardens -- incredibly valuable public servants who are soft targets of a dumb, unthinking sheep-like consensus," wrote Swells.

"The ref is the most important person on the pitch -- the most important person in the entire sport. Undermine the authority of the ref and the entire structure of the sport collapses. The referee should be omnipotent and beyond question. Even when the ref is wrong -- totally wrong, magnificently wrong, egregiously, almost-certainly-been-bribed catastrophically wrong -- the ref is right. We need to instill a culture where to challenge a ref's authority is considered the sporting equivalent of picking one's nose in front of the Queen.

"We should tool the refs up ... with Tasers. Let's make the players wear undergarments laced with a filigree of super-conductive wiring. One word of dissent, one raised eyebrow, the slightest suggestion of a smirk, one tiny gesture of sarcastic applause and the offending player is dealt a brief but instructive agony."

I am sending this Swell Wellsian screed to the judge presiding over the case of one Kyle Pike, 19 of Kingston, Ontario.

In the hopes that the judge will send a message to the young huckster and unrepentant thug.

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Bassmania: Local Team Wins First Prize

Last Canada Day a total of 70 two-person teams set out on Head Lake in Haliburton to compete in one of 12 Bassmania Northern Tour events scheduled for this summer.

The Bassmania tournaments are sanctioned by the Competitive Sports Fishing League, and it's a sport that's growing in popularity – and prizes – by leaps and bounds. The fishers were hunting large and small mouth bass over a seven-hour period: winners were determined by the total weight of their five largest fish caught, and on this day, Haliburton's own Scott Bird and Mark Hamilton were the clear winners with a total of 17.88 pounds of fish. Their closest competitors managed 15.94 pounds: down in fourth place were another local team comprised of Mark McMaster and Jon Hill, who caught 13.26 pounds worth.

The Bird/Hamilton team won the grand prize of \$4,300 for their efforts, but as Scott commented, "we spend a lot on entry fees over the season, in the thousands of dollars, but a win like this is really nice." When asked if he and Mark had an advantage because they knew the five-lake chain (Head Lake, Grass, Kashagawigamog, Soyers, and Canning) so well, he said, "not really – on most weekends we're away at other tournaments, and aren't necessarily up to speed on what's happening here at home.

And you have to realize that all these teams are made up of serious anglers who really know what they're doing. This weekend the fishing was pretty slow due to the weather – but we feel really good about our performance.

"It's particularly great since this was the first Bassmania tournament to be held in Haliburton – we worked for four years to get the tournament."

Bird also pointed out that all fish were returned to the lakes unharmed. He also wanted to thank Dysart et al, Brian Nicholson and Pat Kennedy for allowing the trucks and trailers to take up more space on the shores of Head Lake that would normally be allowed. He also wanted to thank County Auto and Rad, Wild Outdoors, Bill Skelding Enterprises and Ridgewood Ford for their support. ■



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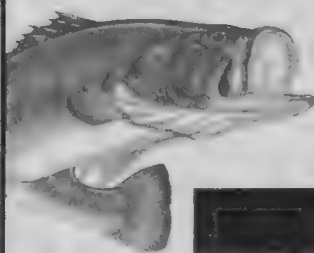
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Highland Cup 2010: Oval Ice Races to Return to Haliburton at New Location



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Harold Foyster, President of High Speed Motorsports and organizer of the oval ice racing event, says that Lake Kashagawigamog will be a better venue for the races in comparison to Head Lake – the site of the inaugural event in March of 2008.

"It'll be better for controlling the crowds, a few of the major resorts are close by, and people can access the event by snowmobile on the nearby Tops trail," explained Foyster. "The site will also be safer for the racers because heavy west winds will be blocked by the nearby bay," he added, pointing to the far right side of the lake.

The track will also be larger at half-a-mile long instead of three-eighths of a mile. The increase in size will allow racers to reach even higher speeds, and because of the new location,

organizers will be able to move the track over 100-feet so that racers get a fresh track surface to go around on day two of the event.

"In 2008, we didn't have the room to move the track one way or another on Head Lake," said Foyster. "It became really rough on the second day."

The vicinity around the track will be surrounded by fencing to prohibit people from getting to watch the event for free, and riders and their crews will be able to park right on the lake.

For those who believe that having the event outside of town could hurt local businesses, Foyster thinks otherwise.

"We will encourage people to hop on the shuttle. The local economy will benefit from this event," he said.

Mark Arike
Staff Reporter

The resorts nearest the races include the Bonnie View Inn, Halimar Resort and the Wigamog Inn, all three of which are located on Lake Kashagawigamog. The Pinestone will be the official host resort for riders and their crews.

This fall, Foyster plans on recruiting volunteers to help run the event. He says that if the event generates a substantial profit, those who help out will be rewarded.

"If we make a profit, then everyone will get a piece of the action," he explained. "If a profit is shown at the end of the weekend, there will be something in it for all of our loyal volunteers."

At Foyster's new and improved Highland Cup web site, you'll find all of the event details, a map with directions to the race site, a list of nearby places to stay, sponsors signed up to date, photos from the 2008 event and much more.

To take a look at it go to www.highlandcup.com. ■



Highland Cup organizer Harold Foyster and these resort managers are looking forward to the 2010 races. Left to right are: Bonnie Warren, General Manager of the Wigamog Inn Resort, Andrea Hagarty, owner of the Bonnie View Inn and Cynthia Romanyk, General Manager of the Pinestone Resort.

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RBC Dominion Securities Contributes to Food for Kids Beth Tuck Hands Over \$750 Cheque for Benefit of Vital Local Program

Many local community partners realize the importance of the Food for Kids student nutrition program. Since it was first started in 1999, the program has been delivering nutritious breakfasts and snacks to thousands of children in the county, each and every week.

Beth Tuck, Financial Investment Advisor for RBC Dominion Securities in Haliburton, officially made a financial contribution to the program this past Monday on behalf of the business. This was the second year in a row that Tuck handed over a cheque.

"I learned about the importance of this program when I moved up here five years ago from Rosie Kadwell (Chair of Food for Kids)," said Tuck, after delivering a \$750 cheque to Karen Phipps, Coordinator of the program in Haliburton County.

Phipps noted that all financial donations for the Food for Kids program are always appreciated. If you'd like to contribute, the best way to do so would be to send a cheque to: Point in Time Centre for Children, Youth and Parents, Box 1306, Haliburton, ON, K0M 1S0.

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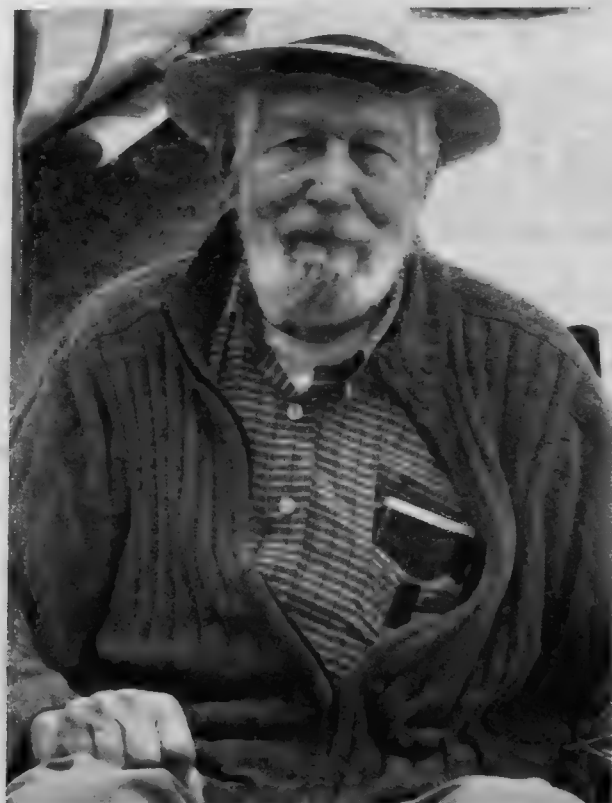
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Farmer's Market Finally Opens at Roberts Marina in Haliburton

Stephen Patrick
Editor

After many months of hard work, The Haliburton Farmers' Market Association held a grand opening last Friday in their highly visible location at Roberts Marina on County Road 21 just outside of Haliburton.

This was a truly joyous occasion, with songs of praise from the Outloud Womyn's Voices and the Abbey North Drummers, speeches from Market Association Chair Jean S. Tyler, MP Barry Devolin, MPP Rick Johnson, and Dysart Reeve Murray Fearrey. The politicians saw the occasion as just one more example of how the Haliburton Community works together so hard to bring innovative and exciting initiatives into reality.

Reeve Fearrey gave some historical perspective, remembering the days when you could buy most of your produce and meats locally, before the arrival of the huge chain stores changed the face of shopping in the County. "It's very encouraging to see this development, to support our local farmers and artisans, and I'm sure it will be supported."

At the moment the Farmers Market boasts 17 vendors, selling a wide variety of produce, meat, baked goods, preserves, maple syrup, firewood, pies, and even some leatherwork hiking and hunting bags and hunting knives. Handmade soaps, pottery, wildflowers, and, of course, some home-made dog food for the pooch completed this very user-friendly experience.

It was a special moment as well for the Tyler family from Waverley Brook Farm, who have been offering community gardening for many years, and who have been encouraging the support of local farming. The family Patriarch, Charlie, was in attendance along with son Godfrey, daughter-in-law Jean, and grandchildren Sam and Joanie.

The Farmers' Market Association gave special thanks to Joe and Heather Roberts of Roberts Marina for the use of their land and to the Haliburton County Development Corporation, Health for Life, Minden PharmaSave, Foodland Ontario, and Farmers' Market Ontario. Ms. Tyler also thanked Larry Hewitt of Little Hawk Construction for donating some gravel fill to prevent the site from becoming a small lake after last week's torrential rains.

Two more vendors are expected to join the Market this Friday, and more are expected throughout the summer. For further information, or to join, please call Angela McGreevy at 705 457-9843. The Market is open every Friday from 3 pm until 7 pm up to and including Friday, September 11th. ■



Above: Joe and Heather Roberts of Roberts Marina

Above Left: Waverley Brook's Charlie Tyler

Middle Left: Jean Tyler welcomes the crowd



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Most important of all I would like to thank my husband from the bottom of my heart for the Rock he was as he stood by me through thick and thin and never gave up I Love You.

Again Thank you All. You are all the best.

Leona Crete

Thank You

The women of the Ingolsby United Church U.C.W. wish to express our appreciation to everyone in the community who played a part in making our annual Strawberry Supper such a success! We thank you for your willing hands and hearts; - thanks for your donations and your time - whether you planned, shopped, baked, hulled berries, did kitchen duties, served, made lovely crafts, or came to the supper. Thank you so very much!



In Memory of

In Loving Memory of Ray Barry

Passed away peacefully at the Ross Memorial Hospital, Lindsay on Friday, July 3, 2009. In his 70th year.

Dear father of Chip (Billie-Joe), Gerry (Kari), Kevin (Donna), and Elechia (Wayne). Loving grandpa to Jesse, Kristina, Kirsten, Kaila, Kennedy, Mackenzie, Cassie, Alex, Nick, and Marley. Dear brother of Tom and predeceased by his brother Garry, and by his partner for 26 years Grace Foster. Fondly remembered by his nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Friends are invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd. 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0 on Wednesday from 6:00 until 9:00 pm. A Graveside Interment Service will be held at the Maple Lake United Church Cemetery on Thursday, July 9, 2009 at 11:00 am. Reception to follow at the Maple Lake United Church (downstairs). Cremation has taken place.

Memorial Donations to Ross Memorial Hospital Foundation would be appreciated by the family.

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Richard (Rick) Kellestine

Employee of Hydro One for 35 years. Passed away peacefully at Lakeridge Health Oshawa on July 1, 2009 with his family by his side, at the age of 53. Loving husband and best friend to Doreen (nee Charlton) for 32 years. Dear father to Darrel (Jackie) of Calgary, Dayle (Kirk Smith) of Minden, Katie (Mitch) at home, loving grandfather of Brenden and Emma Smith. Dear son of Dick and Marie Kellestine of Sioux Narrows, son-in-law of Elaine Charlton of Strathroy, and brother of Debbie (Neil), Terry (Judy), Warren (Laurie). Fondly remembered by his family and friends.

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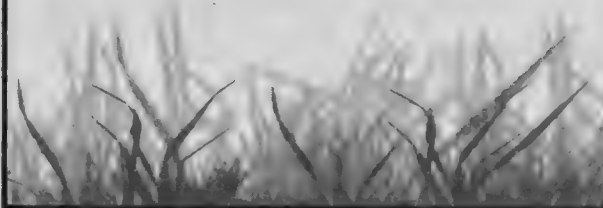
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Friends are invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd. 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0 on Thursday evening from 6:00 until 9:00 pm. Funeral service will be held in the Chapel on Friday, July 3, 2009 at 11:00 am. Interment at the Minden Cemetery. Reception to follow in the family centre at the funeral home.

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The Molou Enjoying a Nifty Resurgence – Harry Potter on Deck

The Crosby family working hard to keep Hollywood alive in Haliburton

Terrance Gavan

Staff Reporter

Some nice stories surrounding the reopening of the old Molou Theater in Haliburton.

This week, (no names so as not to spoil the surprise) a couple will be rekindling some old memories and a union that started right here at the Molou some three decades hence.

On Friday night a husband will be surprising his wife with a return to the scene of the crime as it were.

Celebrating 30 years of marriage in the place where they had their first date.

Interesting and superbly synchronistic that the movie they will be seeing is The Proposal, starring Sandra Bullock.

Movies are like that.

Old movie theaters literally flicker and flit like smoldering flame.

A couple reunited at the site of their first date. That first blockbuster.



Remember standing in line with that retinue of now far-flung friends?

The smell of popcorn, that first dose of Dolby and the flittered and littered images on that huge screen.

Touchstones to memories.

And speaking of memories.

It's going to be a summer to remember for the Crosby family. Ed and Lesley with their children, 14-year-old son Eric, 17-year-old daughter Brenna, along with 19-year-old nephew Krystian Grodecki, have taken on a real challenge.

After reaching an agreement with Molou owner Molly Consky, the gung-ho family have committed to a summer of "popcorn, lights and action."

The old theater, located on Highland Street in Haliburton, closed last winter following the death of co-owner Lou Consky who owned the

theater with wife Molly. The name is a conjunction of the couple's names, Molly and Lou.

Ed said he approached Molly with a proposition to reopen the theater for the summer under a 50-50 business partnership.

They opened the doors at midnight, June 24th with the premiere of the summer blockbuster, Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen. This week the Molou will feature The Proposal, and next week the Crosby family will be "all hands on deck" for an expected two or three week run of Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince.

The Crosby's hail from Cambridge Ontario, but cottage here every summer. Ed owns a company that transforms landfill gas into green energy.

He's using this foray into the world of movies as a teaching tool. Last summer the kids all worked in an enterprise that revolved around garbage collection and delivery to local landfills.

This, say Brenna, Eric and Krystian is way more fun.

The Crosby's spent a few busy days and nights before the grand reopening refurbishing and cleaning up the theater.

Now that it's open, it's been a kind of non-stop whirlwind of activity.

The rain has compounded their already hectic working schedule.

Last week the theater ran afternoon Matinees to accommodate the beleaguered rain-soaked cottagers. Ed says that they will be doing that for the balance of the summer, opening for matinees when weather is inclement. It's part of a customer-first driven policy that Crosby says has been paying some dividends.

"We did a matinee every day last week for Transformers ... and attendance has been very good," says Ed.

The family has committed to running the summer blockbusters and because of studio restrictions and playbill caps that means that they commit to running both Transformers and Harry Potter for at least two weeks. They are expecting that Harry Potter may very well stretch into a three-week run.

Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince opens across North America next Wednesday, and the Molou will be cashing in on the fervor with a special Midnight Madness Potter Premiere.

At exactly two minutes past midnight on Wednesday, July 15th the projector will start to roll on Harry.

The Crosby's will be assuming full battle stations at the concession stand and ticket window well before that, however.

"We're expecting the line-up to start at 10 pm or even sooner on the Tuesday night – the 14th.

They will be running double bills (at 6:30 and 9:30 pm with rain matinees as necessary) for the first four to five days of the Potter blockbuster, says Ed.

"By all estimations it's going to be the big movie of the summer," says Ed.

The Crosby's say this Molou roller-coaster ride has been an excellent learning experience. Ed says the kids are taking a leading role in all facets of the operation from ticket sales, to concessions, to the running of the projector.

They will be running it seven days a week until Labor Day and he says that dependant upon demand they may consider opening the theater until Thanksgiving on a weekends-only basis.

He figures that the Molou will remain closed for the winter. But the good news is that the family has been so enervated by the project that if they get a chance they fully intend on coming back to reopen the Molou again next summer.

"If it goes well this year then we might be interested in doing it again," smiles Ed. Those smiles are seconded by Lesley, Brenna, Eric, and Krystian who are all gathered in the small concession area of the Molou while a packed house is inside enjoying Transformers.

"The big issue is we don't make a lot in the box office," explains Ed. "The studios take 70 percent in the first week and 60 percent on the next week, so we really need people to honour the no food and drink and respect our concession."

Understand that no one is getting rich in this enterprise. If they manage to break even in this inaugural year, they will consider it a success.

Right now it's a labour of love. Not much time to enjoy the cottage. Especially with the rain and those afternoon matinees.

"We're running seven days a week and we're here at 2 in the afternoon and home at midnight on matinee days," says Ed. They're still involved in the learning curve.

"We're trying to get a feel for what works." They take a lot of their input from comments at the end of each show. And for that reason they figure that they'll go with GI Joe as their third big premiere this summer.

Keep the smiles on the faces of the kids is the watchword. It's rewarding. It's fun. And hey, it's Hollywood in Haliburton.

Ed says he's been coming here since he was a kid.

The smiles get bigger on all five faces when talk turns to a fondest movie memory.

Ed says that most people come to the theater to take in the show, but a lot of them also come armed with cameras. They remember the Molou. They want pictures. Again, those memories, so intrinsic,

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Whitewater on the Gull – a Weekend of Sustained Action

Huge crowd greets the annual Gullfest extravaganza

Terrance Gavan
Sports Editor



Earls Hole Freestyle event that capped off the festivities late Sunday afternoon.

Paddlers from Texas, Colorado, Pennsylvania, New York, Washington, NC, British Columbia, Alberta, Quebec and of course Ontario came out for the first four events of the Whitewater Summer Race Series.

A great number of the paddlers packed up their tents and moved on to the second in the white-water series being held in Madawaska on July 8th. On July 10th the Ottawa Kayak School will host the Ottawa River freestyle. Next weekend, on July 11th and 12th The Pumphouse in Ottawa will play host to the Ottawa River Slalom.

Victor Ettel, a well-known local kayaker and Canadian Masters Paddler said it was one of the most successful events ever held at the Minden Preserve.

"Wonderful races," said Ettel. "I think this is a wonderful idea that they bunch a lot of races together over two weeks. This was the biggest crowd ever and half of them probably were Americans and that's because they have so many races in the area around the same date."

Ettel credits Whitewater Ontario for putting so many events in such close proximity.

Ettel said it gave competitors from Colorado and Wisconsin a chance to put a lot of racing into two weeks. The proximity of the four events was also a big factor in drawing a huge number of American competitors.

"Lots of people from the south," said Ettel. "It put Minden back on the map this weekend."

Ettel was smiling. The huge crowds also drew a cross section of racers said Ettel.

"I used to be the oldest racer here at these events," smiled Ettel. "But not this weekend."

Ettel, 72 said he was usurped from his familiar perch by a 76-year-old racer.

Not only that, said Ettel.

The guy was good.

Over 140 whitewater athletes converged on the Gull River at the Minden Wild Water Preserve last weekend.

Gullfest 2009 was an overwhelming success.

Competitors competed in four separate events including the Lower Slalom Race, the inaugural Boater Cross event, the Andrew Westlake Slalom and a very exciting

"In a race he had only two touches [on a superb slalom run] and that means that he was competing on a level with the young kids," said Ettel.

Ettel said that he was very impressed with the unveiling of a new race called the Boater Cross.

Modeled after the popular skier cross and boarder cross events Ettel said that four to six boats start simultaneously downriver through the rapids. First to the bottom wins. No slalom gates, just a will to hang on and push through the frothing wake of those Gull River breaks.

"It's so much fun," smiles Ettel.

"Lots of new ideas here and it's been extremely successful."

Another familiar face was Connor Duhaime, the male Athlete of the Year at Hal High this year, who was also competing.

Connor led the Hal High curling team to a provincial gold in the Gore Schoolboy Curling tournament last winter.

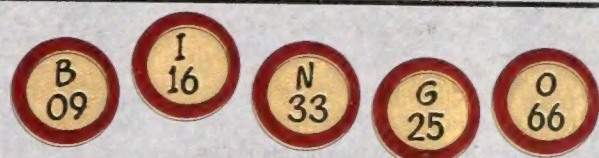
Last weekend he proved that he's no slouch on the unfrozen pond.

He competed in the Saturday slaloms and was also involved in the tricky Earl's Hole freestyle event on Sunday.

"I'm new to the whole slalom paddling thing, but I did okay," smiled Duhaime. Duhaime also works for

the summer at the Whitewater Preserve.

He spent the weekend mixing work with pleasure and said he really enjoyed the whole two-day extravaganza. ■



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so meaningful.

"People really, really enjoy it and a lot of them have taken time to thanks us," says Ed. "It's been absolutely terrific and gratifying the response and appreciation."

Ed says that it's been a challenge, but the benefits have far outweighed the heavy slogging.

"This building was built in 1941 and it's just got such character," says Ed.

And speaking of character.

How about this Crosby family, who seem to have a corner on the market.

Building character on memories at the Molou.

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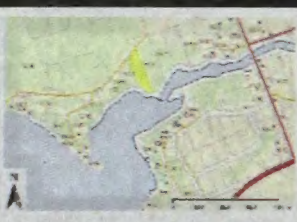
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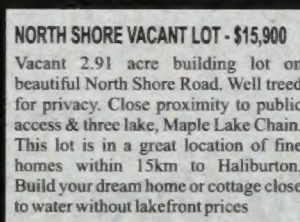
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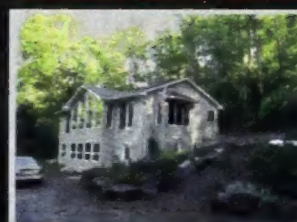


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